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From the Editor to You . . .

The International Police Association was formed in 1950 for the purposes of promoting FRIENDSHIP amongst Police Officers nationally and internationally on a properly organised basis. The Esperanto term "Servo per Amikeco" was adopted as the motto of the Association and as you all know, this means "service through FRIENDSHIP".

The Aims and Objects of our Association consist of five separate objectives. Things like strengthening the bonds of FRIENDSHIP and service between all serving and retired members of the Police throughout the world; arranging holidays, pen friends, group study visits, etc; encouraging the study of public service and maintenance of law and order between Police throughout the world, and so forth. All these things based on FRIENDSHIP between Police Officers all over the world.

And that most important statement within the Rules and Constitution of the Association . . .

There is no discrimination of race, creed, sex or colour, and the Association is entirely non-political

I believe that an Association that upholds this part of its Constitution can only be a very successful one. I also believe that this part of the Constitution is the basis of our organisation and we must never ever lose sight of it. For me, the International Police Association is FRIENDSHIP amongst Police Officers throughout the world and politics, race, creed, sex or colour must not be permitted to interfere with that FRIENDSHIP. This is not an ordinary Club or Association where sometimes jealousies, personality conflicts or ambition can cause dissention. We have an Association set up to foster goodwill and FRIENDSHIP amongst Police Officers; Police Officers within New Zealand as well as all member countries throughout the world.

Let us all remember this and at all costs avoid conflict amongst membership both here and abroad. Despite what one might personally feel about the basic non-discrimination statement, we joined the Association for FRIENDSHIP amongst our fellow Police Officers — let us all uphold and protect that FRIENDSHIP, never losing sight of what that word means.

Take care.

Carole ■

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President's Message

In June of this year I was again fortunate to be able to accompany our International Delegate, Owen Jacobson to Paris as an observer at the World Congress meeting held there. My attendance at that meeting was only possible through the good grace of Air New Zealand, who supplied a return ticket from Wellington to London return, Atlantic and Pacific Travel (Wellington), London to Paris return, and to Hertz Rental Cars (Wellington), who kindly supplied the use of a rental car to enable us to travel to Berlin to make the necessary arrangements to bring the Berlin Police Orchestra to New Zealand in October, 1986. Without the generosity and support which we have received from these firms, my attendance at both Renfrew and Paris would have been impossible, and the necessary arrangements and accompanying publicity for our Friendship Week would have been all that more difficult. Through this column, may I, on behalf of the New Zealand Section, express our sincere thanks for the generous and unstinting support which these companies have so freely given to the International Police Association and which has in no small way ensured the success of our International Friendship Week.



However, such generosity cannot be expected forever, and after 1986 the days of being able to go back to the well to drink again and again will be over. On the occasions which I have been fortunate enough to attend International meetings I have been most impressed with the dedication and professionalism of not only your own International Delegate but of all the delegates at the conference table. In addition, I have noted the intense environment which has prevailed at the last two meetings as the delegates have struggled with and debated the important issues which are now surfacing and besetting our organisation. I consider that no longer can the New Zealand Section expect proper representation at International meetings by applying the principal of appointing a member as I.E.C. delegate merely because he happens to be in that part of the World where an International meeting is held, at that time. I in no way decry the efforts of those members who have in the past represented New Zealand at an International meeting albeit on an ad hoc basis, but to be fair to them the stage has now been reached where your delegate must not only be properly briefed and instructed, but must be aware and conscious of what has gone on before in order that he may make a considered and valued judgment on the matters under discussion. In addition, you will all no doubt realise that amount of work which is achieved on a one to one basis, and to be previously known to other delegates present is invaluable, as their measure of

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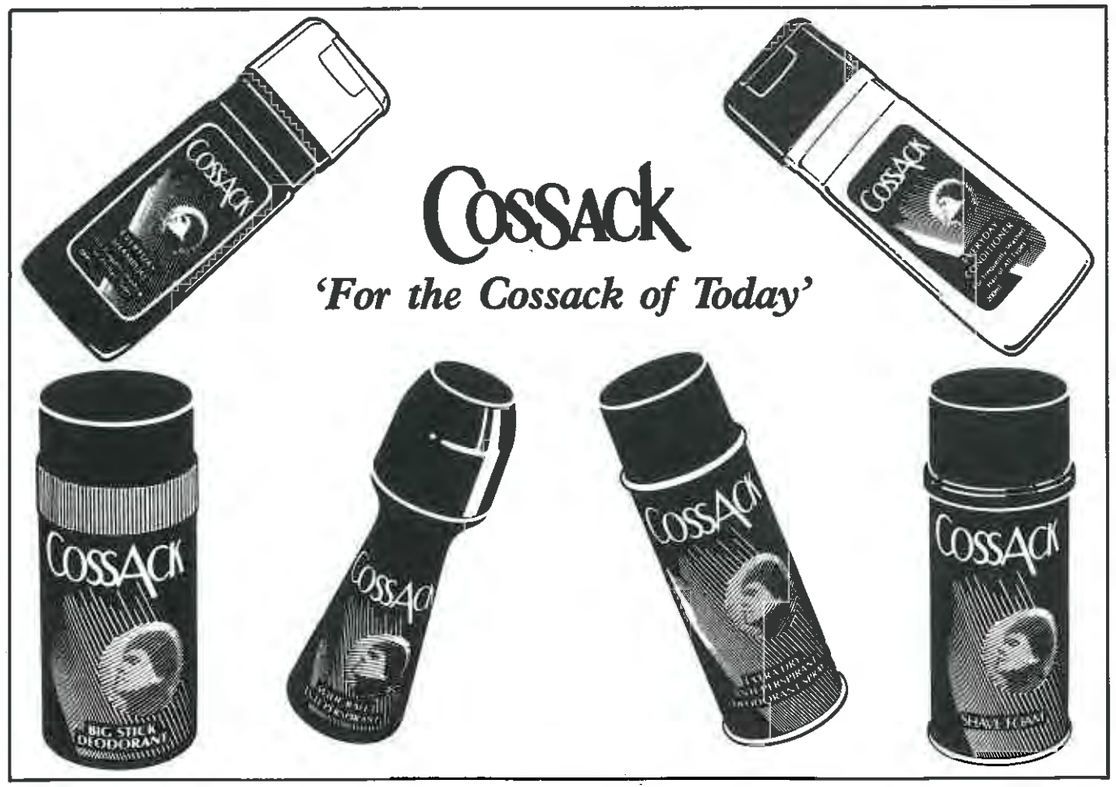

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trust and understanding of the thinking of your delegate is immeasurable. I consider therefore that the days of sending a different delegate to each International meeting are over, and that rather than appoint the I.E.C. delegate as has been the custom in the past, consideration must be given to the proper election of a delegate for the necessary three year term.

If this course of action were to be adopted then it also follows that the New Zealand Section cannot expect a suitable and properly elected delegate to pay from his own pocket to represent his country at International meetings and I consider that the time has come where the New Zealand Section must pay a delegate's travel and incidental expenses accordingly. Already I can hear the cries of horror at such a suggestion and mumblings of 'perks for some', 'free trips on our money' and similar type screams of protest, which incidentally I totally reject. Believe me, there are no free lunches, trips, or anything else for an International delegate WHO IS DOING HIS JOB PROPERLY, for that is what it is, an intense tiring job of work. It is not easy to represent your country at an International meeting, and I speak from experience. One also has to be a diplomat, peacemaker and keeper, be articulate, and those are only a few of the attributes required. It is a very tiring and intense job, and does not confine itself to just attending International meetings. I can advise you that in taking this course of action we are in no way setting any precedent as with the exception of only a few delegates, most delegates who attend do so because the cost is carried by their National Sections. By the National Section paying for the travel and incidental expenses of their I.E.C. delegate they achieve a very high profile at International meetings; their counsel is listened to and respected and they retain the continuity that is, I consider, now required. For example, have a look through back issues of International minutes; in years gone by you will search vainly for the New Zealand delegate's voice, not so the case now!! The situation has developed where the New Zealand delegate is respected, and when he speaks he is listened to. Believe me, it has taken a lot of hard work to reach that situation. The International body of our organisation now pays travel expenses for all delegates to attend a World Congress which takes place every three years and it is my submission to the membership and my recommendation that the New Zealand Section pay the travel and incidental expenses for your I.E.C. delegate to attend the remaining two International meetings.

Preparations for the International Friendship Week are now well advanced and thankfully earlier teething problems have by and large been overcome. We have some 1000 persons who have communicated with me expressing interest to come to New Zealand in October 1986. A National Organising Committee has been re-established in Wellington whose job it will be to make this event the success it will be, and the three regional organising committees in Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch are now up and running. If we ask YOU for your time and assistance, please help, we can't do it all on our own.

We have had discussion with the New Zealand representative of Michael Edgley International, and the Berlin Police Orchestra, in an endeavour to bring them to New Zealand in either September or October, 1986, and I am confident that the New Zealand Section of the I.P.A. will be able to achieve this event as well.

All persons who have made enquiries with us concerning the Friendship Week have now received a preliminary programme including costings of tours and events. Registrations will commence in November at which time a finalised programme will be issued. It's all go, and the ball is rolling, however, there is no doubt in my mind that the most important portion of our planning is the membership of Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch. The real success of our project rests heavily on the shoulders of the organising committees in those regions. Please get behind them, they need all the help and assistance they can get, I can assure you that no volunteer will be turned away!!!

In conclusion then, LET'S BE CAREFUL OUT THERE, but more importantly, LET'S DO IT TO THEM, BEFORE THEY DO IT TO US!!!!!

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National President ■



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Oslo, May the 13th 1985

Dear Carole,
It was such a nice but much too short meeting we had at the end of my six month stay in New Zealand. I had such a very fine summer in your country while they had a bad and cold winter in Europe. And now I am back to a lovely springtime in Norway!

Although you had a marvellous weather last summer, it was the friendly way the people received me which impressed me most and made my long holiday in New Zealand a great success. I owe a great debt of gratitude to all the dozen and dozen of police officers I met in different parts of the country. It is impossible to mention them all but I should be grateful if you would convey my best thanks to District Commander Kevin Ford and his wife Margaret in Napier with whom I stayed at their home in Taradale.

The Officer in Charge at Taupo Police Station and his men, Jim Stebbings always met me with great kindness each time I turned up in their attractive summer resort. And so did the men at Turangi.

My first meeting with Colleagues in New Zealand was in Rotorua where Superintendent Knight and Inspector Graeme McColl took me around and showed me some of the greatest attractions in the North Island.

Not to forget Auckland where I had my base and met a great number of police officers of all ranks. In the bar in Fergusson House I was always received with great hospitality as a member of the family. No one is forgotten, but let me at last mention John O'Ferrall and his wife Frances who also invited me to their nice new home.

When I am now reminded of all the people I met and places I visited, I am longing to come back to your country so far away. May be I'll be back one day! In the meantime: Please be assured that police officers from New Zealand are always welcome to Norway where I hope to see many of you.
Yours sincerely

Erling Sem-Jacobsen

Dear Carole,
I recently received a letter from a Zimbabwe I.P.A. member, Rod Finnigan, in which he made the following comments on our March issue:

"You seem to be a very busy chap what with your hobbies and contributions to the I.P.A. magazine, I liked your article on the Belgian Police and found your Regional notes interesting. The March issue in fact had considerable interest for me as the cover of the retired police dog was I thought a superb photo by our mutual friend Graham Morrell. Elsewhere in the magazine was an article by Owen Dance which covered a visit to my home City of Portsmouth. I was most impressed with the standard of the magazine and it is without doubt one of the best I.P.A. magazines being produced today — you are indeed fortunate to have such an excellent journal, and of course the people who subscribe to it and produce it. You are welcome to pass on my opinion when next writing to the Editor. I think I am right in saying that the previous Editor was my old friend Derek Cantello — seems I have a strong bond with the journal?"

I thought it was interesting to see what overseas readers think of our magazine.
Regards,

Roly Hermans

Dear Carole,
A short note to introduce myself and to advise of the 1985/86 Wellington Regional Committee, for inclusion in the next I.P.A. Journal.

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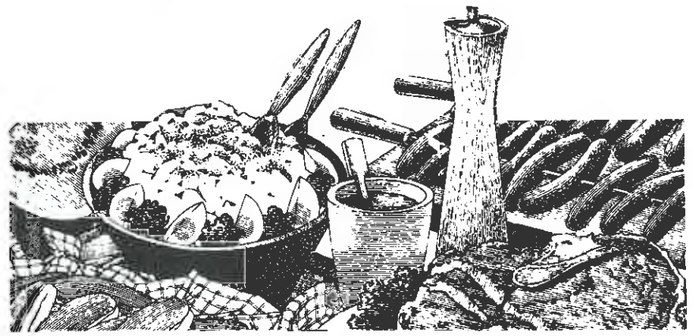

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Roly finds that his commitments relating to the Police Centennial and Friendship Week are such that he felt he could not do justice as Secretary for the coming year, hence a new Secretary. Roly has indicated that he will be submitting his usual item for each Journal and also acting as Regional Correspondent.

During the occasional absence of Roly and Peter Hunter I have acted as their 'stand in' so don't expect much difficulty — except as a typist. (Famous last words.)

You will see that except for myself there are no changes in this year's Regional Committee, however, there is the odd change of address. Here it is:

CHAIRMAN: John Clark, Police National HQ, 180 Molesworth Street, Wellington.

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Dear Carole,

As a life member of the New Zealand branch of I.P.A., thought you might like to know what I am up to now. I am with a group of missioners known as Y.W.A.M. (Youth With A Mission). Spent three months as a volunteer worker on their Ministry of Mercy vessel, M/V Auastases in Honolulu from October to December, 1984. Wanted to become crew, but to do so I had to take a bible study course with P.A.C.U. (Pacific & Asia Christian University) on another island in Hawaii known as Kona. Had to come home to renew my U.S. Visa for a further period; did so and returned in the New Year and spent January, February and March at the University when I was sent out to the Philippines with 40 other students to witness to squatters, prisoners, and the generally forgotten people, living in squalid conditions. Visited the city of Bagieo some five hours drive from Manila 10,000 feet above sea level. Conditions there were much more habitable. Before leaving Manila I called on Police Colonel Vincente G. Vinarao, an I.P.A. member and gave him a personal invitation to our New Zealand Conference 1986. Promised to send him written particulars nearer the time.

Now I'm in Hong Kong witnessing among the boat people and refugees. I met a young man, Mark, an I.P.A. member here and he has invited me to a dinner this evening where I expect to meet many more. Tomorrow I take a slow boat to Shanghai where I will venture inland with bibles, returning by way of train to Canton and via a boat back to Hong Kong within the next 10 days before continuing our outreach into South Korea. There are many New Zealanders, and some Australians, working with us. Japanese, Chinese, Vietnamese, Dutch, Americans, Canadians, South Africans, Swiss, Austrians and others. I'm enjoying the work the Lord has seen fit to lead me. We take our turn at all manner of duties, kitchen, scullery, painting, concrete work, dismantling and rebuilding, there is no end to mission work. You may consider this a fitting subject for the Journal.

My friend, Aubrey Barrow from Florida and I had a mighty time at a 10 course meal in the Officers Mess of the I.P.A. rooms next to the Hilton Hotel, Hong Kong and we met many notable officers from England, Ireland and Scotland, plus many Chinese, namely Bruce Ferguson, F.F.L., Senior Superintendent C.I.D. H.Q. Hong Kong, Phone 528-4284 extn 523. We are invited to meet with the Recruiting and Training Officer on our return from Shanghai. He is David Hughes, Secretary General, Police Training School, Hong Kong.

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Life Member

Bill Roughan

47 Downlands Road,
Devizes,
Wiltshire,
SN10 5EF.
16th July, 1985

Dear Friend and Colleague,

I write to forward details of two members of the British Section of I.P.A. who are seeking contact with members of your Section.

They are:

RO.10/85 Trevor Owen Edwards, of 20 Ettington Close, Wellesbourne, Warwick, CV35 9RJ. He is a collector of bank-notes and paper money — old and new and wishes to contact any member who shares his interests or who can help him add to his collection.

RO.16/84 Jeannette Elizabeth Charumbura (aged 24 years) of 58 Silverdale Drive, Thurmaston, Leicester, LE4 8NH. She is a new member of the I.P.A. and wants to find pen-friends in other Sections. Her interests are walking, the countryside, travel, pubs and discos.

I would also like to take the opportunity of making a personal request — I would be pleased to hear from any member who either shares my interests in, or can help me add to my collection of, pictures of police uniform old and new (postcards, photographs, cuttings from magazines and newspapers, brochures, etc. — including photo-slides or diapositives) and of self-adhesive "stickers" of a police interest (Force crests, publicity, public relations, crime prevention, accident prevention, etc.).

Servo per Amikeco,
Yours Sincerely,

Glynn Jones Inspector
Contacts & Hobbies Secretary,
I.P.A. — Great Britain

Letter received by Lawrie P.

Vanersbay
9.6.85

Dear Mr Philpott,

Thank you very much for your letter and for everything you have done to help me. I really appreciate it very much, and I am so glad to hear that you have got two positive answers.

But now there is a small problem. I have got a job here in Sweden that will give me a lot of credits for the school I will attend later on. I am still too young to start and I need some more work experience, this job will last till spring 86, and I know I won't get a second chance there. My question is if you think it's possible for me to get a 'second chance' in New Zealand.

I am so sorry if I disappoint you, because I know you must have done a lot of work on my 'problem', and my interest in coming to New Zealand. If it is possible I would be so grateful if I could get the opportunity to come in the summer '86 instead.

If it's possible I would like to have the addresses to Mr Blayney and to Mr Jensen or maybe you will tell them and give them my address, because I would like to know what kind of job they can offer me. I would like to work in an Hotel, Restaurant or Travel Agency (something with people and tourists) I've also been to a course at Pan Am in Miami U.S.A. so I know all about airplanes and the work on the planes and on the ground. Or if they have other jobs in mind it's ok, because I guess it's not too easy to find a job.

I like to write so a paper or a PR bureau would be interesting, or a farm or a vineyard. Well, I do hope you don't feel you have done anything for nothing, so if it's ok for me to come in '86 instead I will make all arrangements with work permit and so on. Thank you again for helping me so much.

Best wishes,

Elisabeth Bina





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Greetings from NORTHLAND (Not "Northern Division" as published in the March Journal!)

I have some sympathy with our hard working Editor, it's difficult when you proof read the copy and then find that the publishers have "bungled" it. Keep up the good work, your "New Look" Journal has met with universal praise in our region. We had a combined "Farewell/Presentation" on May 8th for Slim Elwell, Harry Innes, Ken Woods, Errol Jones and Bunny Austin who all retired, and also for Ken Keel who has been transferred to O/C Hawera. Actually Bunny left us on one day as the District Secretary, took off his uniform and resumed duty the following day as the District Administration Officer in plain clothes. Same track — same horse but different colours!!! It's funny how you see an extra "spring" in the step of these chaps after they leave — they seem years younger the next week or so. What is it?

Paddy Whiu put out a Sports Newsletter listing all of the achievements of Northland Police Staff in the various sports, and it made our Staff quite proud to read of our members' success in a wide variety of sporting activities, from swimming, volley-ball and indoor cricket through to veteran tennis. Our *FUZZ-HERTZ* tennis team won the Monday night business house competition with an unbeaten record, and both teams and individuals distinguished themselves in a number of other sports.

We welcome new staff members Yvonne Baart (who topped her wing at the Police College — well done!) Detective Dave Beddoe, and Dog Handler Brian Parker (who replaces Charlie Payne who has given the Dog Section away after a long and very successful career with two top dogs (Hari and Tai)) and Barry McLellan. We hope your stay will be long and happy. There's no shortage of work in these parts.

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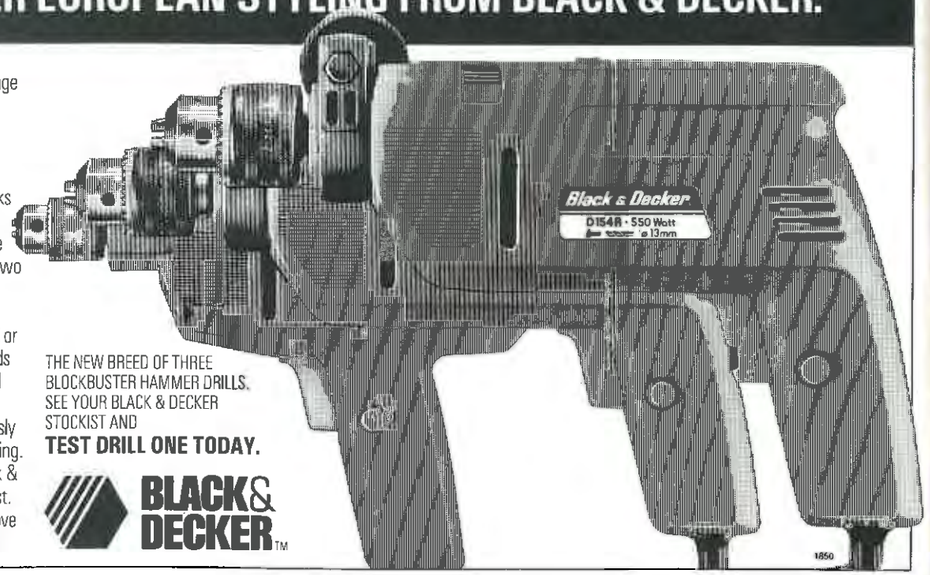

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A number of people reading my regular Wine Chat column may wonder what qualifications I have to put myself forward as an authority on this subject. Well, apart from a Certificate in Wine from the Wine Institute of New Zealand awarded in 1983, I was recently a prize winner in a New Zealand-wide Wine Quiz organised by the *WINEGLASS MAGAZINE*. A bit of useless information, but it might add to the credibility of some of the things I have said in my Wine Chat column.

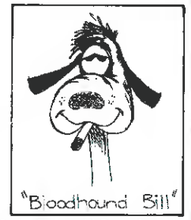
Our Whangarei Police Club was recently given a refurbish, and now sports new carpet, matching drapes and an ultra-conservative wallpaper. (Our District Commander could become a very successful interior designer and colour co-ordinator if he is looking for an opening when he retires.) The new look club now whispers "conservative elegance!!"

We now have a Whangarei Police Golf Club and have negotiated playing rights with the Pines Golf Club at Parua Bay. A good turnout of Staff competed for our modest opening day tournament, and those that didn't get a prize of some sort played some very ragged golf. Scoop Sterling (our Police Olympics Golf Medalist) shot a 66 on the day that actually equalled the Course record, but it didn't count because he was playing off the red tees and not the blue (back tees). Still pretty good golf! Whangarei incidentally is a golfer's paradise. We have FOUR good 18 hole courses to serve a city of only 38,000 people. If you happen to be in Whangarei on a Monday, pop out to the Pines and join us anytime between 12.30pm and 1.30pm (or in the morning if you prefer) for a challenging 18 holes.

Here's MUD IN YER EYE!!

Bob O'Hara

Auckland Region



Bloodhound Bill
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The return of the "Original" BLOODHOUND BILL, also marks the retirement from the Police (but not the I.P.A.) of that stalwart of I.P.A. — Bob Reay.

Bob, together with so many of the staff members who have retired from service over the past few months, will be very sorely missed — of that there is no doubt. The Gazette has been full to overflowing with the names of those departing and as one of those "staying on", I would ask that retiring members, especially I.P.A. members, stay in touch!

Talking of staying "in touch" it was the usual small number of members and friends who attended this year's Auckland A.G.M. Many of the same old faces appeared and were elected to the local Committee, still headed by Chairman, Breck Stewart, ably assisted by a keen Committee. Even the publication of the name of the guest speaker — his Worship the Mayor of Waitemata City, Tim Shadbolt (and that should have been like a red flag to a bull for some policemen) didn't spark much interest. But what an enjoyable evening and excellent speaker. Well worth the effort — pity a few more of our Auckland I.P.A. members couldn't "stir themselves into action" on the night.

See that Nora Crawford has retired "again" — this time from BANKCARD. No doubt it means more time for travel, Nora! Hope so. And hope that you soon return to your usual good health.

Looking back on the last issue of the Journal, I note that Stuart and Trish Houchen were married in March. What with all the rushing around that Stu has been involved with on Operation Rainbow, his wife Trish will be getting used to the normal "Policeman's wife" attitude of seeing her husband going out in the morning and saying "see you" . . . possibly next week . . .

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Actually Operation Rainbow has been quite an interesting business, and has been the cause of a number of outside I.P.A. members coming into Auckland to work on that particular job. For example, Peter Williams from Hamilton Region is now "working" up in Noumea. It's "Hell at the Front", Peter!

Getting back to retirements — and not intending to be selective — but I note two retired Chairmen of the Region of more recent years have actually retired — Brian Wilkinson and Terry Cottam. Like all those members previously mentioned in passing, all no doubt looking forward to a well-deserved rest from the "job".

Norman Elliot and his wife Gayle flew in from Adelaide late in June and had two quick weeks in a Maui camper. Norm wasn't an I.P.A. member but he will be on his return.

In view of the rather limited information, I would ask Auckland members with I.P.A. news to contact the Editor — who will pass it onto "Bloodhound Bill" for inclusion in this item of the Journal.

With that I close and look forward to hearing the news from you all.

Bye for now

Bloodhound Bill

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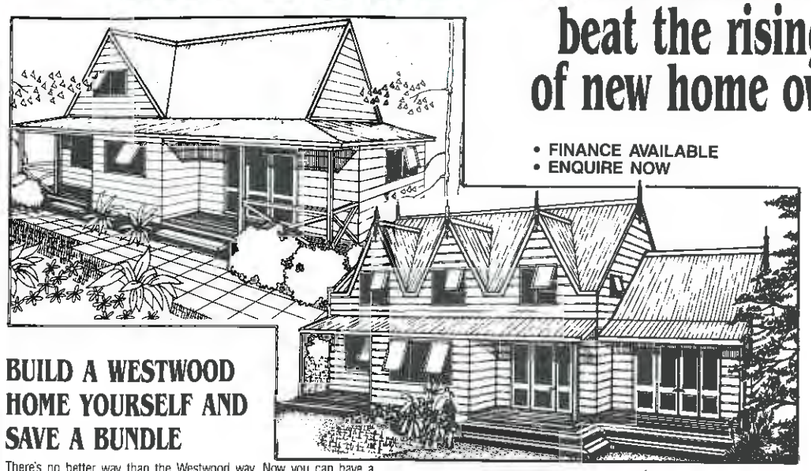

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For those interested the major game has been arranged tentatively for the 18th September at Carlaw Park. The date and venue may change but notice will be given.

A.J.

Waikato-Bay of Plenty Region



Marilyn Stobie
Police Station
Hamilton

Well it's time to write again on our regional news and boy . . . there seems to be plenty of coming and goings.

In June we held our Regions A.G.M. and this time at the Hamilton Station. Again we were a bit disappointed at the turn-out but the meeting was lively and a great variety of topics discussed. Congratulations to Brian Husband who again is our Chairman and N.E.C. Delegate. Without his support, I am sure our region would go into "hold mode". Unfortunately for members, I am still your Delegated Scribe plus Secretary/Treasurer so guess you have to put up with me for another year!

One item on the agenda for the meeting was that our region should hold an Annual Dinner. O.K., our thinking is that we should hold a Members' and Spouse's dinner, at some convenient location for all areas. Cambridge has been suggested as an ideal venue and dates around early October were discussed. I would value your thoughts on this proposed dinner, as I have no intention of planning the evening and find that there is insufficient interest. So please let me know your reaction. I personally think the idea is a great one, as apart from the A.G.M., we don't get together for any social functions. Anyway it's over to you guys. Let me know.

Well, as I said, there have been heaps of comings and goings in the region. I will try and cover most of them but if I forget anyone, I will catch up next issue.

Firstly, welcome back to work Peter Williams, who has been on the sick list but now back to his bouncing self. Glad your absence was a short one, Peter.

Also welcome back to New Zealand, Phil Marshall. Believe you had a super time in Aussie and thoroughly enjoyed three months of non-Police work. I think you had prawns for breakfast, dinner and tea! Some have all the luck.

The transfers are Neil Menzies to Frankton Community Constable. Neil has been with the C.I.B. for numerous years and I am sure he well deserves this latest appointment. Neil, good luck and I am sure you will enjoy your new role.

Also transferred are the following: Gordon Glossop to Tokoroa; Bob Goff back to Hamilton C.I.B. and our good wishes go to both of you.

Our congratulations go to Les Barber who has been promoted within the Hamilton District. He is now 2 I/C for the District and I am sure he will be sincerely welcomed.

Well now to our retirements. There are heaps but I join with all members to wish a long and happy retirement to: Bernie Kelly, Harry Baldock, Jack Collins, Allan Polkinghorne, Gordon Peterkin and John Tootill. Sad to see them go but I guess we are all envious.

We were also sad to see Bruce Russell leave the job and go to greener pastures. Bruce, we all wish you the best of luck and don't forget to put a few moments of your busy schedule aside so that you can call and see us.

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Now to the pending overseas visits. As I said, Ian Newland and Toni Twyford are to depart for their individual trips and will cover the U.K., Continent and U.S.A. The departure dates are getting closer and I do hope you both have a fantastic time.

Our newly-retired District Commander, Bernie Kelly has a super trip planned for August. Both he and his wife Betty leave our shores and will travel to the U.K., Europe, U.S.A. plus various other ports of call. A three month travel plan is proposed and I have no doubts that it will be a trip of their lifetime. Have a fabulous holiday, you two, and we look forward to seeing you home in November.

Well I think that's about all the news except to extend to Nora Crawford, our very best wishes for her final retirement. Nora, it's great to see you finally get out of the work force and we sincerely hope your leisurely days will be filled with travel plus the socialising you so enjoy. Have a long and happy retirement, you deserve it.

O.K. that's it and now over to my spy in Tauranga . . .

Tauranga

It is with some trepidation that I put pen to paper, however, those who are in the "know" have so decreed that I am to be your Scribe, so here goes.

Well, who says that nothing ever happens in Tauranga. Rest assured, you unbelievers, we have everything under control. First week was allocated to rape, second to arsons, third to gang related offences, and so on. In addition tempers and dust are flying as our esteemed workmen prepare to pull the interior of the station down round our ears.

Howard Ireland now has first-hand long-forgotten knowledge of what it is like being a "worker". Perched on a box answering 3 radios, dispatching cars and trying to keep up with cups of tea for the thirsty "co-workers". Well done Howard.

Not only have we station comings and goings but we have said fond farewells to six long standing friends, with Keith Jenson, Trevor Lyon, Jim Milne, Bill Voyce, Ian Campbell and Les Pearce, all of whom are retiring. I guess Les Pearce's, albeit secret association with Quacka Duck is at last at an end!! So long guys and happy retirement.

But, that's not all!!

We have welcomed Peter Wood to the Mount and Gary Hodge to Te Puke. In Tauranga we have inherited two delectable gents who keep us Police-type women with tongues polished.

Welcome to Warren Gerbich and John Wordsworth.

I also have on good authority that still yet to arrive but not at all "Claytons Cops" is Case Hulsebosch and Ian Boddington.

Sadly we lose Duncan Drummond to Christchurch but we look forward to many newsy letters.

Such comings and goings can only be bested by a Dog Handlers function and about 50, with friends, gathered at Tauranga to honour Graham Enticott-Davies' retirement from the section. What a night and so well behaved . . ! It was a pleasure to host the guys who came along.

Well here's looking at you, Tauranga C.I.B. Those moths have definitely been put in the shade with the new (everyday) Jog rags sported by our own Trev. A new image in the making for C.I.B., I wonder.

Well that's it and bye for now.

(Fi BROWN).

That's all the regional news and nothing again from Rotorua. Come on Sulphur City . . . how about some news!!

Regards,

Marilyn

Hawkes Bay Region



Ross Pinkham
Police Station
Napier

Finally a piece from the Hawkes Bay Region. I.P.A. is very inactive at present and there have been no visitors through in the past 12 months. The involvement of members will not be spurred on until next year for preparation of the Friendship Week.

Promotions, transfers and resignations have seen a big change in the staffing of the Hawkes Bay region.

Retirements, too, have seen our elderly officers head for a quieter life. A big thank you to those who have served the Police for so long; District Commander, Kevin Ford, the most senior of those to retire along with Gordon Gillies, Dudley Motley, Fred Roff, Russ Lovegrove, Jim Clews, Monte Davies, Barney Kay, Dave Warner.

Morris Cheer, Bill Gregory, Paul Wiseman, Bill Davidson, Howard Conseldine, Sam McLeod — all promoted and transferred out of the District. Welcome to Terry O'Neill, Lee Graham, Alan Aitken, Brian Schaab, Tim Belcher, Paul Lacey, Graham Morrell and Clive Plucknett.

Graham is a strong I.P.A. supporter and his assistance will be appreciated next year. Peter Norwood and Dick McCracken have left Napier. District Commander Brian Burrows is with us for only four weeks before taking early retirement, following an unexpected illness.

Alan Marks, the sole Bay View policeman, has a transfer to the Chatham Islands and by the time of publication will be well ensconced in crayfish and paua dishes. Best wishes to Alan and Heather and family. Mattie Glasier will be Alan's replacement in Bay View.

Sporting activities have been relatively quiet while the rugby season sorted itself out but the annual clash with Gisborne in rugby saw Napier triumph again — winning 22-6.

Police Olympics triple gold medallist Mick Cull is back on the road again after a serious leg injury late last year. He is now into veteran class so has an added incentive to be on the track again.

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Taranaki



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After a number of years of inactivity in this Region I am delighted to report that the Taranaki Region of the I.P.A. has joined the fold once again. Thanks to the efforts of Steve Anderton who has spent some considerable time and effort in stimulating interest in I.P.A. in the District. We held our A.G.M. on Sunday 16th June 1985 and invited all current members and prospective members plus their spouses to attend the meeting. Steve addressed the meeting on the functions of the I.P.A. during which a number of questions were asked by interested members pertaining to travel and the value of being a member. These questions were very well answered by several members who have travelled overseas recently.

After the formal part of the evening there followed a very pleasant Wine and Chicken supper. It is planned to hold other functions in the future and already we have come up with some great ideas to stimulate interest in I.P.A. in this region. I am quite sure that there are many members throughout the country who can remember the N.E.C. meeting and A.G.M. which was held some years ago at the Mt Egmont Chalet.

Taranaki Region has a total of 24 financial members and already a number of younger members to the District have expressed a desire to join the fold. We have a completely new and energetic committee and we look forward to a great future in I.P.A.

Ian Snell

Hutt Valley



Bob Fleming
Police Station
Lower Hutt

Hi Carole,

Firstly, we in this Valley, welcome our new Division Commander to Lower Hutt. Superintendent J.M. Quill. He is not an I.P.A. member — YET. Secondly, on behalf of all I.P.A. members in this area we offer our most sincere condolences to Molly Measor who recently lost her mother and shortly afterwards, her uncle. Our, and my, sincere sympathy is extended to you, Molly. I pray that the hurt will soon leave — you have had a bad time, my dear, but many people in the Hutt and elsewhere too are thinking of you. Chin up, honey, without Carole here any more who can I have a damn good laugh with.

Another well known identity in the Hutt Valley and beyond is going on annual leave prior to retirement in late October, no other than Senior Sergeant Peter Dawe of the Upper Hutt Police. He actually retires in February 1986 and informs me that until then he is still one of us. Upper Hutt won't seem the same without you, Peter. I know you will have many interests including Rotary and other things to keep you occupied and those caravan trips to look forward to. I envy you. Thank you, Peter for putting up with me for two stints at Upper Hutt; most bosses have had enough after one stint — or before (I jest — really).

We extend a welcome back from Wellington to Sergeant Nigel Escott; you must admit, Nigel we are friendlier in the Hutt Valley. There are a few rumours floating about that if Laurie Gabites keeps up the success of the Blue Light Disco evenings (with all the other workers of course) he is going to ask the Mayor of Lower Hutt to built a bigger Town Hall to fit everyone in. They are a screaming success and many would-be participants are unforunately turned away.

by IPA 1974

My annual jaunt to Queensland has been curtailed this year — mainly by the weird looks from my bank manager, so my wife and I are taking a three-week break in the Bay of Islands and we are both looking forward to that. Kevin Egan called into my office last week and said hello which was rapidly followed by "what are you doing?" I found myself standing to attention — on my desk top — until I remembered he had retired. My God, he looks even younger now than when he retired. Carole, that was our fault for laughing and acting like a pair of idiots, we aged the poor man when you and I were once in Lower Hutt together. Jeez, it seems ages ago now. Is that a sign of age creeping up on you? Please don't answer that, my dear — you will get us both shot, fired, sacked and perf-ed. Not necessarily in that order.

Lawrie P. is still chasing up one candidate for the I.P.A. but she keeps "forgetting" to fill in the form. I'll miss our Secretary General when he retires. Well, Carole, no more news so until next time Sincere Regards from all of us in the Hutt Valley.

Bob Fleming

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Wellington Region



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The most important happening in Wellington I.P.A.-wise recently was the Annual General Meeting, held in the Police Bar at National Headquarters. The general business part of the evening was very quickly covered. The officers generally remained the same, apart from the Secretary, who is now Ken Marsh. A very interesting talk from Chief Inspector Earle Cooper on the Police Centenary next year followed. All present were impressed with the large variety of celebrations being planned, and the amount of work involved. It will certainly be an exciting year for the Police.

Two members from our region, Brian Walkinshaw and Owen Jacobson, have just returned from the I.P.A. World Congress in Paris, France. From what we have heard, they had a great time there, and, from an I.P.A. Point of view, a successful trip. No doubt there will be comment on their trip elsewhere in this issue.

As with many regions, there have been many changes at the top. I would like to welcome Mr P. Mairs, the new District Commander. In the echelons below him, there have been many other transfers and promotions as well . . . too many, in fact, for me to keep up with. So perhaps I shall welcome all the new-comers to the region without naming any specifically — I would be sure to make a mitake!

Perhaps here I can put in a personal plug. The Wellington District police history book that I am writing should be well under way by the time you read this column. Tentatively entitled "Capital Coppers", the book will cover the history of this district from 1840, when James Smith and Henry Cole were appointed constables by the New Zealand Company, to the present day. I have managed to locate so much material, with the help of many other members from this region, that it will be difficult to decide what to print and what to discard. I am sure all members from this region (or members from other regions who once worked here) will enjoy this book. Sales will probably be through an organisation such as the Bay Scouts. If you wish to ensure that you will get a copy, please drop me a line. I will keep a list, and then pass it on to whoever will be handling the sales. The price has not been fully worked out yet, but it will be as cheap as we can make it. So keep an eye out for "Capital Coppers". ■

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1481 SMITH, Harold Malcolm Reginald, 48 Manson Avenue, Stoke, Nelson.
1482 MILES, Leith Fennor, 27 Fairfield Road, Hawera.
1483 SHAW, Katherine Joan, 4 Lombardy Place, New Plymouth.
1484 FLANNAGAN, Kevan Maurice, 90 Vivian Street, New Plymouth.
1485 ALFORD, Colin William, 50 Sunnyvale St, Bell Block, New Plymouth.
1486 LANGHAM, John Desmond, 72 Archmillen Avenue, Pakuranga.
1487 MARLER, Vicki Elizabeth, 93 Arney Road, Remuera, Auckland.
1488 HALL, Mark Franklin, P.O. Box 172, Kumeu.
1489 MELVILLE, George Ian, 67 Paerata Road, Pukekohe.
1490 SHAW, Terrence John, 4 Amberley Avenue, Palmerston North.
1491 WRIGHT, Leigh Elizabeth, 26 Laurel Grove, Maungaraki.

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1088 KIDD, B.F., P.O. Box 51586, Pakuranga, Auckland.
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Notes from the Travel Secretary

Dear Members,
Greetings from the "City of Sails" with plenty of the wet stuff for them to sail in plus I am sure we will all have webbed feet if the rain does not ease up. All I can say is "roll on summer".

Overseas Visitors

None that I know through the official channels.

N.Z. Members Overseas

Vicki Marler from Auckland — England and Europe for six months, from end of July.

Cyril Davies

In our last issue you will have read of the visits of Cyril Davies from Cornwall, England who visited New Zealand in May/June. Cyril (79 years — not 77 as I previously quoted) is now back home safe and sound. He left saying he would be back in 1986 for our Friendship Week so I guess that is a good indication as to how much he enjoyed New Zealand. He left on a high note. As you may remember I mentioned he bred Pyrenean Mountain dogs and I was able to locate a breeder in Raglan so on the day he was leaving New Zealand (at 11 p.m.) we managed a trip to Raglan for the day where he was hosted by the Breeders, Mr and Mrs Hope. For those of you who do not know what a Pyrenean Mountain dog looks like (as I didn't) here they are. Take my word for it, they are quite big when they put their front paws on your shoulders.



Cyril with the 12 month old "pup" who hails from Australia.



Two of the "girls" excited at their unexpected visitor enabling them a romp out of their cages.



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Pending visit to N.Z.

Swedish Policeman Anders Paulsson stationed in Karlstad will arrive in New Zealand mid December and will stay for about a month in which time he hopes to see as much of New Zealand as possible. He will be accompanied by his girlfriend Eva, who is a Physiotherapist. They state their interests as nature, culture and sports. They would like to meet New Zealand I.P.A. members throughout the country so if anybody is interested in hosting this couple for the odd night during their stay would you be kind enough to let me know between now and December.

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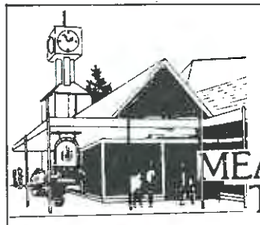

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Cheap Bus Travel in the United Kingdom

Travel Consultants, Russell & Somers of Auckland, have been appointed general sales agents for the new Britexpress Card, which replaces the old Britexpress Travelpass withdrawn from the New Zealand market two years ago. The latter covered the cost of bus travel within Great Britain during a restricted period. The new Britexpress card offers travellers a one-third discount on bus travel purchased within Great Britain during a 30 day period.

The discount card costs $20. Travel is on Britain's Express coach network, which is made up of National Express, Rapide and Scottish Citylink coaches.

The card cannot be used by persons over 60 or by children 5-16 as these groups already qualify for the one third discount on the majority of the services offered. It can be purchased in Britain for sterling but is not advertised there and is available at only a restricted number of outlets, so play it safe and purchase the pass before you leave New Zealand.

The card may be used for as many journeys as the holder wishes to make within the 30-day period. Validation begins on the first journey, which must take place within a year of the purchase of the card.

Many destinations are covered by the more upmarket Rapide buses which provide a hostess, light refreshments, video film and toilets.

Passengers taking a one-way trip on Rapide pay a 1 pound supplement but the one-third discount still applies to those holding the card.

National Express buses to and from Gatwick, Heathrow and London also form part of the discount service.

An example of the relative cheapness of Britexpress travel is that a return ticket to Edinburgh using the card costs 18.50 pounds compared to 64 pounds by train and 116 pounds by Air.

UNITED KINGDOM BED AND BREAKFAST in 400-year-old farmhouse in beautiful East Devon (close to Sidmouth) 1985 rates UK 7 pounds per adult. UK 5 pounds per child (under 14) Dinner UK 4 pounds.

Cheers for now

Jill Chester
National Travel Secretary

SPECIAL FEATURE

air new zealand

The Pacific's Number One

AIR NEW ZEALAND, the nation's flag carrier, operates the Pacific's most extensive network, carrying more than one million passengers internationally last year and 2.6 million passengers within New Zealand.

The airline operates scheduled services into 14 countries, making at least 220 daily flights into 42 airports (23 within New Zealand) using a fleet of Boeing 747-200, B767-200ER, B737-200 (one a QC — quick change — passenger-freighter), Fokker F27s, and a DC8-54 freighter.

The network covers Australia, Great Britain, Hong Kong, Japan, Singapore, the United States, Canada, Tahiti, New Caledonia, Western Samoa, the Cook Islands, Tonga, Fiji and Norfolk Island.

All flights, except the freighter, carry both passengers and cargo, linking New Zealand with its neighbours and friends across the world.

In the financial year ended March 31, 1985, Air New Zealand achieved a record annual profit, earning a net $133.6 million after tax.

The operating profit of $153.6 million was nearly double the same result the previous year.

"In just three years, since the days the company was reporting a record $90 million operating loss, there has been a phenomenal turnaround of $243 million," reported the managing director of Air New Zealand, Mr Norman Geary.

"This is an exceptional achievement, of which I am sure the staff will be very proud. It is basically the result of the airline's own efforts."

Highlights of the 1985 annual report include:

¢ A net profit of $133.6 million, up 30% on the previous year's $102.5 million.
¢ An operating profit of $153.6 million, up from $79.2 million.
¢ Total revenue was $1160 million, up from $899 million.
¢ An overall revenue load factor of 72.7% was achieved, up from 68.2%.

Mr Geary noted that, not only had the "bottom line" result improved yet again, but the company had exceeded $1 billion in revenue for the first time.

"The latest figure is more than double that achieved in 1980-81," he said. "Most significantly, our traffic growth remains well ahead of most International Air Transport Association airlines."

"Revenue passenger kilometres on domestic routes rose by 15.5% following growth of 11.5% the year before. And international traffic growth over the past



Fokker Friendship F27



Boeing 737



Boeing 747

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three years totals 41% which is more than three times the IATA scheduled carriers' cumulative total of 10.5% for the same period."

Mr Geary said that it was unlikely that the company would achieve as high an operating result in 1985-86 as in the past financial year, due to cost pressures outside the airline's control, a highly competitive Pacific marketplace and the impact of new aircraft on the airline's cost structure.

"The company has probably reached a peak of profitability for the time being," he said.

Mr Geary emphasised that much instability exists in the aviation industry worldwide as carriers fight to protect their commercial interests and grapple with competitive pressures generated from significant cost structure differentials.

"The instability is likely to persist for some time and individual airline financial results will fluctuate widely while the industry adjusts. Eventually, and after a painful process, stronger and fewer carriers are likely to emerge.

"Provided a logical relationship between aircraft capacity and demand is retained in the areas of the industry that the airline operates in, Air New Zealand can look to the future with confidence," he said.

Air New Zealand's new aircraft, a sixth Boeing 747 (on order), three Boeing 767ERs, and six Boeing 737-200s (to replace six older models) will provide an essential platform for further growth of the airline and inbound tourism.

Apart from providing services to and from Wellington, and Christchurch, across the Tasman, the Boeing 767-ERs will also be seen in at least four of Air New Zealand's Pacific Islands destinations and on a number of peak domestic trunk-route flights.

The twin-aisled, twin-jet Boeing 767ER (Extended Range) is an extraordinary aircraft by the standards of just a few years ago.

Produced by the giant Boeing company in the early 1980s as its first new airliner since 1966, the 767 incorporates advanced technology in its wing design, its structure, its engines and its systems.

The result is an aircraft which can comfortably fly the main trunk route in New Zealand and yet stretch out for an 8000-km non-stop journey.

Its systems are very much the way of the future. Traditional dials on the pilots' console have given way to small CRT screens and there is a flight management system which, true to its name, manages all aspects of flight.

It does such things as choosing power settings for maximum efficiency and economy — in fact "driving" the aircraft through climb, cruise and descent at optimum speed for fuel efficiency while navigating the aircraft precisely.

It takes account of wind, outside air temperature and all other relevant factors and reports continuously to the pilots.

Paeons of praise accompanied the introduction of the B767 to service, beginning with United Airlines in September, 1982.

"Probably the best introduction of a new aircraft we've ever had," said the airline's vice-president flying, Mr Mel Bolz.

TWA had a similar report. "Our first airplane flew for 30 days before we opened the cowling," said a spokesman.

United reported that fuel economy was 3 to 4% better than the specification it had established with Boeing and there was unstinted praise from flight deck crews.

"The airplane is a delight to fly," said Mr Bolz. "You need a hammer and a crowbar to get a pilot out of the 767 once he has flown it."

"The flexibility of this aircraft has astonished us. It's a synergistic aircraft where all the new features — the wing, the engine, the cockpit environment — perform better together than you would expect from looking at them singly," Mr Bolz added.

In-service reliability of the 767 has been very high.

China Airlines achieved 99.08% dispatch reliability (within 15 minutes) in its first 20 weeks with the new jet.

Six other airlines were averaging better than 98% — All Nippon Airways, Ansett, Britannia, El Al, Transbrasil and Delta.

The B767-200ER has a major advantage in range over any other twin-jet type — and it has the ability to extend its range still further.

This stems from a "beefed-up" structure and undercarriage compared with the standard 767 plus the fact that there is unused fuel capacity still available in the aircraft wing centre section.

Air New Zealand is replacing its six oldest Boeing 737s with six new Advanced-model 737s under a sale-and-purchase agreement with the American manufacturer.

Mr Geary described the arrangement as an exceptional commercial deal with great advantages for Air New Zealand.

The six new Boeing 737-200 Advanced aircraft will be delivered early in 1986 — one in January, three in February and two in March.

Air New Zealand's 737 fleet of 10 aircraft will then comprise all Advanced-model aircraft.

The 737 Advanced has a higher payload and better fuel burn than the earlier models and will also bring significant maintenance and productivity benefits.

"Apart from allowing the airline to mount greater frequencies on some routes, and carry heavier loads, the lower B737 maintenance demands will enable Air New Zealand to take on a greater amount of valuable contract engineering work for outside interests, providing foreign exchange benefits as well as profits," Mr Geary said.

He added that the six-aircraft rollover programme was also desirable because the older aircraft were not only now requiring increased maintenance but would also have needed expensive noise-abatement modifications, which could now be avoided.

By selling the aircraft now the airline was getting a better price than it would later.

In other current developments Air New Zealand is:

¢ Expanding its network to include Canada from November 3. The flight will leave Auckland for Vancouver each Sunday evening and return home each Tuesday morning, allowing time for day-time connections from/to other points.

Special introductory air fares to Vancouver cutting $880 off normal rates are in effect until December 15, with return travel having to be completed by March 30, 1986. A similar fare is being offered to Canadians to encourage them to visit New Zealand.

The new Canadian service is in addition to Air New Zealand's 10-a-week flights to Los Angeles where connections on attractive fares can still be made with Air Canada's operations to other points in Canada.

¢ Increasing its twice weekly flights via the United States to London to three a week.

¢ Doubling its existing weekly flights between New Zealand and Japan.

¢ Re-establishing the air link, which it pioneered nearly 20 years ago, between New Zealand and Hong Kong.

¢ Enhancing South Island tourism and trade opportunities by dedicating direct flights in and out of Christchurch across the Pacific. A weekly 747 will operate via Nadi and Honolulu to Los Angeles from Christchurch. Southbound services will depart Los Angeles on Sunday evenings, and fly via Honolulu and Nadi back to Christchurch.

Apart from opening up a direct link between the South Island and Fiji, Honolulu and Los Angeles, this new service will allow passengers from both London and Canada to fly direct to Christchurch without going through Auckland.

Japanese visitors will be able to fly from Tokyo to Nadi, have a 24-hour stopover in Fiji, and then fly direct to Christchurch on TE15 from Nadi.

For South Islanders there will be pluses on both northbound and southbound services because the timing of the schedules will allow same-day connections to and from other centres.

Air New Zealand continues to be a major promoter overseas of New Zealand as a tourist destination and of New Zealand products.

In the past financial year the airline spent more than $30 million promoting New Zealand overseas. It also earned and saved $284 million in foreign exchange through its international services.

The success of Air New Zealand in a highly competitive environment is the result of sound planning and the subsequent implementation of strategies designed to build up business through selective target marketing, supported by stronger advertising and product promotions, aimed directly at the consumer. Emphasis has been placed on standards and quality of service, with attractively priced and packaged products.

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Boeing 747 at Auckland Airport



The new Boeing 767ER



Left to Right
Norman Geary, Managing Director, Air New Zealand and Hugh Fletcher, Chairman of the Board

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Close attention has been given to flight timings — inbound, outbound and domestic — the orientation of services to conveniently meet the needs of customers being seen as a crucially important marketing feature.

Devaluation provided an opportunity to intensify the airline's drive to attract tourists to New Zealand. Additional resources were dedicated to advertising campaigns which stressed the bargain price of holidaying in New Zealand for visitors from the U.S.A., Australia, Japan and UK/Europe. In the U.S.A. alone, the airline spent an extra $2 million, to augment its advertising programme.



First Class, Boeing 747, Air New Zealand



Pacific Class, Boeing 747, Air New Zealand

The sustained success of the airline's marketing drive has been dependent on an intensive effort by staff throughout the world and is a tribute to their selling skills and teamwork which made the most of market opportunities.

Highlights in the past year include:

¢ For the fifth year in succession Air New Zealand won the prestigious U.S. Travel-Holiday magazine reader poll as the best overseas carrier.

¢ For the second successive year readers of the U.K.-based Executive Travel magazine rated Air New Zealand the best carrier to the Pacific.

¢ A blind tasting of 45 airline wines in London revealed the airline has the finest wines in the sky.

The wine judging, organised by the U.K. Business Traveller magazine which has 100,000 readers, put the Montana Chardonnay 1983 offered by Air New Zealand in Pacific Class at the top of the list.

In the red wine section the Pacific Class Montana Cabernet Sauvignon 1979 was placed second next to the Spanish airline Iberia's rioja (Muga 1976).

¢ A breakthrough from an eight-year plateau of visitor numbers from Australia to New Zealand. There can be no doubt that initiatives promoted by Air New Zealand such as The New Zealand Bargain Book and the $A66 children's fare — which matched a similar fare from New Zealand — provided the initial impetus for increased visitor numbers later stimulated by devaluation of the New Zealand dollar.

¢ Tourist departures to the South Pacific from the U.S.A. and Canada again showed good growth despite the strong counter attraction to North Americans of cheap European holidays. The multi-million dollar television and print advertising campaign launched under the banner of "Catch a Kiwi Smile" sought to capitalise on the buoyant U.S. outbound tourist market and maximise the tourism benefits to New Zealand of devaluation. Air freight volumes from North America flowed at a strong rate throughout the year, particularly in the high-tech product sector.

¢ In the U.K. travel industry and consumer promotions featuring "New Zealand The Great Escape" were conducted in conjunction with the New Zealand Tourist and Publicity Department, the first of a number of such cooperative ventures in the U.K. Another series of promotions in 16 cities used a professional Maori culture group.

¢ Two promotional missions were sent to Asia, working in conjunction with the New Zealand Tourist and Publicity Department and major inbound tour operators, and in Japan the recreational travel market — in particular skiing — was stimulated by promotional campaigns. Air New Zealand was also a partner in a major joint sales drive in Europe and has taken part in consortium promotions where possible.

¢ International cargo loads increased on all routes with volumes from North America, Australia and U.K./Europe all up by at least 20%. New Zealand produce exporters were assisted through the peak seasonal period (November/March) by the charter of additional pure-freighter capacity.

¢ DC8 freighter services to the U.S.A. ceased due to the introduction of new environmental regulations.

Air New Zealand's Boeing 747 aircraft, carrying passengers and freight, give New Zealand ready access to markets throughout Asia and the Pacific, enabling fresh fruit and vegetables to reach the best hotels and restaurants in places such as Singapore and Los Angeles soon after being picked.



Economy Class Service, Boeing 747, Air New Zealand



Boeing 747 Galley, Air New Zealand



New Zealand exporters have secured markets for chilled meat, chilled fish and specialty seafoods and a wide variety of fruit and vegetables. This perishable cargo competes for space with manufactured goods and luxury items such as sheepskin products.

On return flights Air New Zealand's cargo holds often carry electrical goods, toys, textiles, live tropical fish and sports clothing.

The airline's maintenance and engineering facilities and expertise, particularly in Christchurch and Auckland, are also widely used by airlines in the Asia-Pacific region, adding to the import-export manifest.

New Zealand-produced goods hold pride of place in Air New Zealand's aircraft cabins, as well as in the cargo holds.

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Also in the cabin the carpets and seating covers are woven from New Zealand wool, and much of the galley-inflight service equipment is also made in this country.

Air New Zealand spends more than $300 million a year, spread over 23 New Zealand centres, on the purchase of goods and services, and also makes a big contribution to local authorities and Government in airport dues.



Taking care of the very young



Cargo

Air New Zealand and its staff are involved in the activities of the community at large, providing financial and other assistance for many projects — sporting, social and cultural.



In the past year the company has provided major assistance for the staging of the Te Maori exhibition in New York, St Louis and San Francisco. Cabin crew members staged a dramatic Pageant of the Cloak at the Economic Summit Conference held last year and again at the opening of the 1985 Waitangi Day celebrations in Wellington.

Children and the handicapped have benefited from the concern of Air New Zealand and its staff. School children from Invercargill whose homes had been flooded were provided with holiday flights to spend



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time with families in other centres. The annual Christmas Boeing 747 flight for disadvantaged children was operated over two sectors in order to give South as well as North Island children a special treat.

Koru Care, a staff organisation, works throughout the year to raise thousands of dollars to enable handicapped children to experience overseas holidays.

Air New Zealand was the official carrier for New Zealand's successful Olympic team and provided travel for competitors — including those from the Special Olympics for the handicapped — to attend a Government welcome-home reception in Wellington.

Assistance was provided to the arts, but there was the additional pleasure of being able to select two New Zealand-made films for screening on international flights.

Sporting sponsorships included the 10th and most successful Air New Zealand-Shell Golf Open, horse racing and trotting, and an international horse trial event featuring Olympic gold medallist Mark Todd and other top international riders.



Steaming caryfish tails, Catering Centre, Auckland



Inflight service — Boeing 747

The airline has also been involved with New Zealand's two entries in the Whitbread Round-the-World race, with Lion New Zealand flying the airline's symbol, the koru, on its largest spinnaker. Promotional activity before Lion New Zealand's departure for the U.K. covered both New Zealand and Australia.

Air New Zealand's koru trademark symbolises the uncurling of native fern fronds, and also signifies continual growth and rebirth. Similar koru designs were first seen on the prows of early Maori canoes that navigated the vast reaches of the Pacific Ocean centuries ago.

It is fitting that Air New Zealand's aircraft which span the globe bear this symbol high above those same seas. ■

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There's no Future in it

By Des Hall

In an interview published during last July a young lady visiting New Zealand with a dance troupe for the first time, made a remark which went right to the core of life.

She was, she said, enjoying her first trip to these parts, but didn't know what the future might hold.

I know just how she felt. I've had the same sort of uneasiness regularly for the past sixty years. In fact there have been many times when I thought there might be no future in which to hold anything.

Amid this widespread winding-sheet of doubt there are, I have learned, a few threads of certainty upon which you can bet your destiny, though why Fate should have chosen such oddities with which to test the future, defeats me.

Take noise as an example, or a particular item thereof. Yonder in the street there approaches a hairy, unwashed lacklustre figure who, while unable to afford a comb, bar of soap or kind word for technology, can still fondle eight hundred dollars' worth of what is commonly called a ghetto-blaster. Uncommon calls are not for publication. The "what the future holds" here of course is — guess what the g-b will be playing when it comes within hearing range, say two hundred metres.

A few bars from Inglisias? A taste of Mantovani, a morsel of Mozart, a snatch of "Carmen", James Last, Emmylou? You know and I know with no more than a passing glance at the tea leaves, that we are to be assailed with a dreadful, mindless uproar which has porridged the brains of the unwashed one and threatens to do the same for us.

Almost as infallible a guide is being in a hurry. This too paints an accurate scenario of things that are going to happen in the near future. You have, shall we say, been caught with a job that cuts into your lunch break and leaves you seven instead of twenty five spare minutes to pop down to the Post Office and get an urgent letter away by registered mail. (Portent: it's the one you forgot last week when you had all the time in the world.)

By a bare two paces you are beaten to the only "open" counter by a young lady or old man who has eight transactions to effect to four countries, a money order transmission and a complex enquiry about sending parcels to Lebanon.

It's not just that all this will come to pass: the fact is you could have foretold it with stunning precision before your futile trip in the first place.

There is more yet of this fascinating "what's going to come next".

Reading the district court news in the paper you will regularly come across cases in which the police prosecutor relates deeds of almost unbelievable skill, strength and stamina. In the presence of forty patrons of uncertain temperament and sobriety, a volunteer scene-shifter will proceed single handedly to smash up an entire hotel bar, reduce furniture to compost, crush glassware by the bucketful and defy the efforts of five public-minded citizens — themselves feeling little or no pain — to subdue him. And what will we read at the end of this saga of derring-do?

Right again. "The defendant is a twenty-one year old sickness beneficiary." (Or twenty-seven, thirty-three — they come in all ages.)

For how long, we may wonder, will talent scouts and selectors waste their hours lurking around school playgrounds, when they should be out there in the real world eyeing the queues at the social welfare counters, checking doctors' waiting rooms and even leaning, narrow-eyed and with lightning reflexes coiled, on public bars. It provides a glimpse of the nation's future filled with endless triumphs on the field of sport.

The subject leads naturally to other news accounts, calculated to drag tears from a sunbathing drug dealer. Our story commences with yet another tale of how rotten things are in jail (one of the things that has deterred me from volunteering for jail). This has the unfortunate habit of being published near to another story about rotten things that were done to an eighty year old woman, who thought she was safe in her own bedroom.

You are asked to fix your gaze on the veil and prophesy which will gain most prominence — the prodigious efforts made to keep the woman-destroyer out of jail, or the fate of the woman who was destroyed. But enough of that: we're beginning to betray some distinctly base and unChristian sentiments . . .

From jail, and by some not too difficult steps, we progress to the world of economics and business. This takes a quantum of courage on my part as I've never really understood either of them.

As with the life stories of many in the service, this has resulted in an ignoble history of handing over a third of my earnings to the taxman and not being able to claim as much as a pitiful fast-food lunch. You see what I mean by "courage".

How often have you read of one more take-over bid, or a merger, or the "Union of two giant corporations" (a statement which has all the makings of a truly revolting soft-porn video if ever I heard one). I have read as many as five such stories in a single edition of one paper, together with avuncular assurances that the results should only be of benefit to shareholders and public alike in increased efficiency and utilisation of material and fiduciary assets. Believe me — they use language like that.

Now, having taken into account the unknown, the astronomical number of mergers and suchlike, sit back with a suitably serious expression and murmur to yourself "I wonder what the future holds for me now that Megatronics Inc. is to acquire a twenty-three per cent holding in Superbyte Ltd?"

Finish your apple, straighten your helmet and get back on the street, fool. You know darn well what the future holds and it isn't twenty-three per cent of anything except interest on your car loan, and you should be so lucky. Relate to me the last time a big business move resulted in the cooling of inflation and prices and your cost of living. Harken to the words of Adam Smith, an economist who lived two hundred years ago and who enshrined in one unforgettable paragraph such a load of commonsense that economic whizzkids have been trying to forget it ever since.

"People of the same trade" (Mr Smith is recorded as saying) "seldom meet together, even for merriment and diversion, but the conversation ends in a conspiracy against the public, or in some contrivance to raise prices."

You can bet your last company Jaguar what the next merger, combine, take-over will do for you, which is why I can forecast that next time the police go for a raise they will be able to do so without the tiniest shade of a blush.

To encourage you in this strange new world of looking into the yet-to-come, try a couple of simple exercises. For instance:

In the course of giving a talk you are asked "Do you think the police will cost more next year than last and will the crime rate go up or down?" I'm not sure now if this is a fair sample. One doesn't need to be a clairvoyant to see the answers to that: you only need the courage to voice them.

It is perhaps not absolutely certain you'll be right but you won't be far wrong. A possible googlie may be bowled, by Fate having somebody somewhere in the 'system' reading the words of one Donald Windsor, upon whose brow I will bestow a crown of roses if ever I meet him. Said Mr Windsor "Crime will not decrease until being a criminal is as dangerous as being a victim." He could have added "or painful, or heartbreaking or rotten" but he made his attitude quite clear. I should add if you are studying law or sociology don't quote Donald; he'll ruin your chances. He does nevertheless give us an opportunity to indulge in another test of our powers, this time rather more difficult.

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"A national soccer team has been selected and an itinerary planned for a six-match tour against the prison staff of the Gulag archipelago."

"How long will it take the resulting protest march to pass a given point in the street walking four abreast, allowing that five per cent are too young to sign an anti-homosexual law reform bill survey?" Not perhaps an entirely fair test: there are probably many still for whom the idea of protesters marching four abreast is rather overwhelming, especially the rocks and spears and razor blade edges bit.

Having made so many bold noises about the ease with which some events may be foreseen, you are certain to be waiting for the chance to say "All right, you're so smart. What will the Police service be like and what will it be doing in twenty-five years?"

Easy. Listen.

It will consist of 5,500 men and women who will serve a thirty years term from 25 to 55. They will be driving around in vehicles going to fights and assaults and robberies and burglaries and rapes. Eventually they will trace or catch some of the offenders, who will plead not guilty and accuse the police of beating confessions out of them or making them up.

The offenders will come from broken homes with unstable backgrounds and be the unfortunate, but blameless, possessors of low tolerance factors and the inability to metabolise alcohol within socially acceptable parameters.

If further misfortune results in their being put into a rotten prison they will be released as soon as possible to continue fighting, assaulting, thieving, robbing and raping.

Which will have the police flat out driving around trying to keep up with the play, plus political demands for more police.

Oh yes, and steely-eyed kibitzers will be demanding the rope for a policeman who fired at a hostage-holding terrorist armed with grenades, gas and an automatic assault rifle.

After a detailed study of the reports the Minister will go on record as saying "Morale is high and pay and conditions have never been better."

It leaves only one unknown item still bothering me. When will news media word-processors be programmed with the definite article "the" to precede the word "police".

"The national fire service is to . . ." "The army today held exercises . . ." "The St John Ambulance service attended the incident and rendered aid . . ." "The city council is to . . ." etc.

But for some reason nobody will explain they've used up all the "the's" and left none for us.

"Police in Auckland today threw a cordon around . . ." "Police in Wellington remained tight-lipped . . ." "Police have identified the body of . . ." etc.

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Well done New Zealand Athletic Team

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Their itinerary took them to Canada where they stayed in Vancouver. There were two international meetings at this venue and Glenda came second at both. At Berkeley in California, one international meeting was held at which Glenda achieved 5th place.

The countries represented were Japan, U.S.A., Canada, Australia and New Zealand there being more than one athletic representative from each country.



Glenda and John Hughes having a good laugh.

"Our" Glenda has quite a few remarkable achievements behind her it has been discovered. Not only is she the New Zealand champion in shotput but she also holds the World Police Record for discus and shot. She has broken the Auckland shotput record 13 times and holds the New Zealand National Record for shotput having missed the New Zealand Record by only 2 centimetres. Glenda intends to attempt this record again this year.

Another achievement is that she also holds four New Zealand records in power lifting which basically means she is the strongest lady in New Zealand.

Glenda's intention (should Operation Rainbow allow it!), is to go on unpaid leave and train for the Edinburgh Commonwealth Games in view of the qualifying standard set already having been achieved by her previously.

Glenda, we wish you much luck — we in I.P.A. are proud of you. ■

About the History of Policing in New Zealand

By Sherwood Young

Members of the International Police Association in New Zealand and elsewhere will be (I hope) interested in acquiring copies of the 3-volume official "History of Policing in New Zealand". Volume One, which pursues the theme of "Policing the Colonial Frontier" is now with the Government Printer and it is hoped to launch it in February 1986.

Details and Order Forms will be in the December issue of the Journal, as well as in other Police-related publications. The cost of the first volume will be approximately $45 in the bookshops, but a bulk order through the Police will attract a significant discount. It is hoped many readers of the Journal will wish to take advantage of this offer.

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Don't Let a Bee Swarm Bluff You

How to Handle Swarms

By our resident Beemaster

BEE SWARMS may be expected between September and January with most occurring in October and November. The first reaction of most people to a swam in their back yard is of panic. Their first thought is how to get rid of them and often their first action is to phone the Police for help.

Police response is more subdued. They usually advise the householder to phone the M.A.F. or a private collector of swarms who will deal with it as soon as possible. But Police should know how to deal with a swarm in an emergency and should realise that a swarm is the cheapest way to start your own backyard apiary.

Swarms are Natural

It is bees' nature to swarm for only by swarming may the number of colonies be increased and one of the beekeeper's prime concerns is to prevent swarming in his hives.

Before a swarm leaves the hive its bees feed heavily on honey to sustain them until they are settled in new quarters, but after a bad winter swarming may be set off by hunger and these bees are more likely to be fractious than quiet. Almost always the swarm has selected a temporary clustering site usually not far from the hive to which scout bees will guide it and where the swarm clusters and remains for a period that varies from a few minutes to several hours until its final site has been found and decided on. Then the whole swarm lifts off in a few seconds and flies direct to its new home.

In fine, warm weather when the bees are replete with honey they may be handled with impunity. They are kittens. But if the weather is cold and wet, if the bees left the hives some hours earlier, or if it is a hunger swarm, they may be "hot" and fractious. But almost always a swarm is docile.

One may walk inside a flying swarm without any danger of being stung. A clustered swarm may be studied from close up in safety if it has emerged recently and the day is warm and fine.

The main need for the collector is to have confidence in himself and a conscious lack of fear. Fear creates body odours that antagonise bees. So do some scents and shampoos!

When a clustered swarm is watched scout bees will be seen returning, alighting on the cluster and performing a "bee dance". This dance tells the cluster details of a site that has been examined by the scout; how far away it is and its direction, mainly, but the dance does include other details as well. When several scouts have returned the number of sites is reduced until finally one is agreed on. That is when the cluster lifts off and follows the scout bees to the new home.

Equipment Needed

Very little equipment is needed to take a swarm. A large cardboard carton and a sheet of cloth of some kind are the two most necessary things. To these may be added a veil to protect the face, simply a tube of black mosquito netting that drapes over a hat and tucks inside the shirt, a brush with soft bristles may be useful and, if the weather is cold, a squirter filled with sugar syrup to spray on the bees to feed and calm them if they are "hot".

Spread the cloth under the swarm to prevent losing the queen in long grass. Open the box with the flaps outside. Clear away twigs that prevent access to the swarm.

Balance the box on one hand and be prepared for a solid thump inside it and change of balance when the bees are shaken in. Ease the box up under the swarm as far as it will go. Grasp the branch firmly and shake it vigorously to dislodge the bees into the box. Lower the box a little and shake off as many remaining bees as possible.

Put the box gently upside down on the cloth and prop up one edge and flap with a piece of wood. Watch to see if bees at the entrance begin fanning. If they do this is an almost sure sign that the queen is in the box. Other bees will now move to and enter the box to join the swarm which is again clustering inside.

If, for some reason, it is necessary to take every bee, leave the box there until dusk. On a hot day, cover it with a sack or branches to keep it as cool as possible inside. Usually the bees are taken away after about an hour or less when most stragglers have entered the box.

Queen is Crucial

It is crucial to get the queen in the box otherwise the swarm will abscond and return to wherever the queen is.

Wrap the box lightly in the cloth for transport and get it home quickly, especially in hot weather. A big swarm in a small box will smother quickly without ample ventilation.

At home, put the box in a cool shaded place with the entrance still propped up to let foragers collect nectar. If an empty hive with foundation is not ready the bees may be left in the carton for a day or two but it is better placed where the hive will be put or bees will return to the site of the carton instead of to the hive.

If a hive with foundation is ready the swarm may be hived at dusk, just as the sun is setting.

Put a packing case lid to the baseboard of the hive and sloping away from it. Cover the board with cloth to give the bees a foothold. Prop up the entrance to the hive to about 5cm to avoid traffic jams.

Take the carton of bees, shake it a little to disorient the bees and dump them on the cloth. Don't worry about being stung, you won't be in spite of hundreds of bees flying about. It is safe.

Now watch one of the most remarkable sights in natural history. The dumped bees will level off and begin to face uphill to the hive entrance and begin to move into the hive. In a few minutes there will be a river of bees moving quietly up the packing case lid, perhaps 50,000 if it was an average swarm, perhaps 100,000 for a super swarm, all intent on getting into the hive.

With luck you may see the queen as she moves through and over the hive bees but do not rely on it.

Block Entrance

When most of the bees are in, look for bees at the hive entrance facing inwards, fanning quickly with their abdomens raised. These are fanning scent from their abdominal glands to bring stragglers to the colony.

After an hour or so the swarm will have settled down in the box, again in a cluster, and the box may be lowered on the baseboard and the entrance blocked with grass except for a space of about 5cm for ventilation and for the bees to use. As the grass withers the bees push it aside and it may be entirely removed in a week.

At this time too, open the hive on a sunny day and examine the comb for eggs and disease. Repeat this examination in another week's time. If there is no disease and if the queen is laying, you are the proud possessor of the beginnig of a hive of bees.

Prepare another box with foundation and put it on top of a queen excluder for the bees to draw the comb quickly. Every few days move the comb from the centre, replacing it with outside comb to get all the frames drawn evenly. As soon as this is done add another box of foundation directly above the excluder and put the first box of drawn comb on top of it. For the first season these three boxes should be sufficient. Next

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Of Shirt-tails and Sheep

A Reply to Des Hall

By Owen Dance

IT IS NOT much more than forty years since a schoolteacher in America was prosecuted for teaching his class about The Theory of Evolution. In the same country, a bus driver could be prosecuted for allowing a Black to sit in the front half of the bus until only twenty years ago. To this day, there are laws in Thailand against speaking disrespectfully of their monarchy, in the U.S.S.R. against criticising socialism, and in Greece against trying to convert anyone from the Greek Orthodox faith.

At various times in the history of British jurisprudence it has been a capital offence to believe that the earth moved around the sun, to own a black cat, to be a Roman Catholic, or — at a different point in history — to not be one. Every age, and every culture, have thrown up particular attitudes, which have been expressed in particular laws. These laws have generally had two things in common. Firstly, for as long as they have lasted, they have been regarded as vital to the preservation of society: secondly, when they have been viewed from a different cultural or historical perspective they have looked quaint at best, and downright ridiculous at worst.

We all know that there is currently a huge debate under way in New Zealand over whether homosexuality between consenting adult males should be legalised. Both sides are displaying extremes of emotion and a regrettable penchant for foul play of one sort or another. The issue is apparently perceived as being crucial, to the extent that articles of such a tone as Des Hall's "You Can't Mend The Law With Lies" (I.P.A. Police Journal, June 1985) abound, promoting the case for one side or the other.

Let us examine Des' argument, starting with his reference to the oft-heard claim that legalising male homosexuality will lead to an increase in the incidence of offences against young boys. Why will it? Homosexuality between consenting adult females is already legal, and always has been. It should logically follow therefore, that lesbians should be currently preying on young girls at a greater rate than that at which male homosexuals offend against young boys. Are they? No.

It is relevant also to consider that indecent assault and related conduct is not about to be decriminalised (nor should it be) so any actual or attempted homosexual act committed on an unwilling partner, of any age, would remain unlawful. The stipulation in the proposed new law of an age limit below which consent was no defence would ensure that the legal situation as regards young persons and homosexuality would not change as the situation for consenting adult males changed. When one considers these factors therefore, one cannot possibly believe that young boys will be endangered by the proposed reforms, unless one believes that sex between adults has to be outlawed to prevent those adults lusting after children.

Think about that for a minute, in a heterosexual context. Would a paedophile suddenly cease to be one if a law were passed outlawing adult heterosexual relationships? Silly, isn't it? Why then, do so many people believe that the inverse applies, that practising adult male homosexuals will suddenly crave relationships with children just because what they prefer to do with other adults is made legal?

Des writes emotionally about the grotesque physical consequences of forcible sodomy on young children. They are indeed ugly and distressing. So is any sexual assault, on any person, of either sex. While not meaning to diminish the particularly awful nature of such things, I suggest that it is necessary to maintain a proper perspective. The shocking harm done by a homosexual rapist is relevant only to a discussion about homosexual rapists.

To suggest that all homosexuals are implicated is effectively the same as suggesting that you and I, Des, are personally implicated in the harm done by every hetrosexual rapist. There is an extreme faction among feminists who would say that we are, but I presume from your reference to "trousered harridans" that you are not very amenable to their point of view. It is however no more extreme than the point of view you offer, in reverse, of the entire male homosexual population, by inferring that they are all individually liable for the actions of a deviant (more deviant? deviant-er?) few of their number.

Statistics

Let us consider some figures. In the year ended 31 March 1985, there were 3378 sexual offences reported to the police. Subtract those such as brothel-keeping and indecent literature offences, which do not involve actual or threatened bodily contact, and you have 3166. Of these 238, or 7.5% were homosexual or lesbian acts. If you are right in saying that five per cent of the population is gay, Des, that means that five per cent of the population is commiting about seven per cent of the sex crimes. Not bad, when you consider that a two and a half per cent margin of error is pretty trivial. One could argue that the homosexual offending rate is no more than representative of their numbers in society, so even if they all magically became "straight" overnight the total rate of sexual offending in the community would not change, as they would automatically replace the missing homosexual offences with corresponding numbers of heterosexual ones anyway.

But the numbers probably lie and what's more,(sorry Des),the probable truth, once unearthed, favours the homosexuals. To begin with, many sources — including the gay community itself — will assert that more than five per cent of the population is homosexual. If the actual figure, whatever it is, exceeds seven and a half per cent, then homosexuals could claim to offend at a lower rate than heterosexuals. Uncomfortable thought, isn't it, Des? But it gets worse. Feminists claim that there are up to eight offences of a sex-related type against women for every one reported to the police. Let's not believe that though, for fear of giving too much credence to those trousered harridans. Let's slash that figure by three-quarters, and do a little calculation based on the assumption that there are only two such offences for every one reported. If we double the number of rapes, attempted rapes, and non-homosexual indecent assaults included in our sum, we have a new total of 4640 offences, of which 5.1% are homosexual.

Probably more than five per cent of the population, comitting probably less than five per cent of the sex crimes? Face it, Des, on the evidence, you and I are statistically more likely to be sex offenders than the average limp-wristed wine waiter is. Give us a kiss.

Now let us briefly address the question of how police staff behave towards homosexuals. So you are able to quote an example of your own proper professional conduct towards a homosexual, Des. I can do that too, but so what? The public — straight or gay — are entitled to expect a proper standard of courtesy from us. The fact that you and I have delivered once or twice in our careers is not relevant to a discussion about the general tenor of the relationship between the police and the gay community in total. I have witnessed some appalling instances of improper behaviour towards homosexuals by our colleagues, Des, and if you have not, then I can only assume that we have served in different police departments these last twenty or so years. Many of our male colleagues have enough trouble coping with their working relationships with police-women, never mind dealing with homo-

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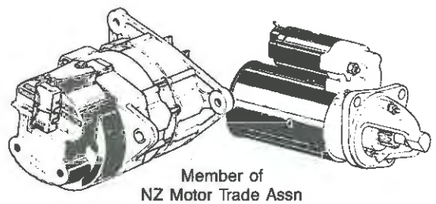

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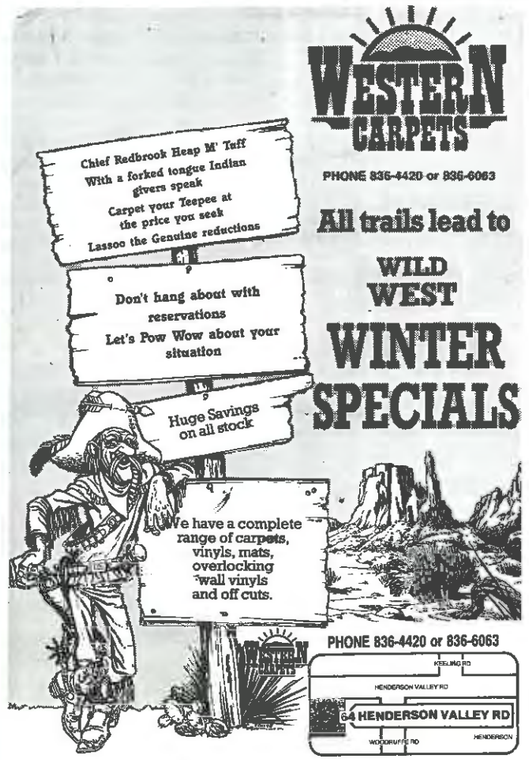



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sexuals, of either biological sex. I agree that it is unfair to claim, as some homosexuals do, that all police are always out of line in all transactions with homosexuals, but to suggest — as you seem to — that we are all pictures of professional propriety, is just too far the other way.

You also appear to suggest, on the strength of the one example you give, that homosexual relations are tense and unhappy. My impression is that this is indeed true of many, if not of most, but what does it demonstrate, particularly in the context of a discussion over the law? Consider the divorce, wife-beating, and child abuse rates in conventional marriages. Are they relevant to a discussion over heterosexual practices?

I have now spent over half my lifetime in either the Police or the Army. In each service, I have seen sudden resignations of colleagues who were discovered to be homosexuals. With only a couple of exceptions (literally — one in each service) these men were popular and highly regarded soldiers or police officers whose sexual proclivities were unknown to their fellows until discovered by chance and reported back to the employing departments. What does this demonstrate? I suggest that it demonstrates the inaccuracy of the "raging poofter" stereotype: most are just like the rest of us, in every respect except how they prefer to spend a few minutes at a time, in private, once in a while.

(Incidentally Des, if the five per cent you quote is correct, there are currently 256 of "them" in the New Zealand Police, over sixty of them in *your* district. Mind your back.)

I suggest that what your experience has taught you about homosexuals may not be too accurate, Des. Experience, remember, is only one of the teachers in the University of Life, and a pretty unreliable one in the absence of his colleagues. Ideas and Open-Mindedness. He tends to teach students what they expect to learn, or what they want to learn, rather than the whole story. For hundreds of years, for example, he taught navigators and geographers that the world was flat. They successfully navigated ships and drew maps on the basis of that belief, and if you had challenged them, they would have insisted, in the best of faith, that they "knew" they were right, because their experience proved it. Then this joker Columbus came along with his bloody silly ideas. Probably a queer too. You know what they say about sailors . . .

Religion

The religious prohibition is always a good one to quote. Sodom and Gomorrah, pillars of salt, and all that. The trouble is that not everyone is religious, and those who are can't agree on biblical interpretation anyway. To claim that God forbade homosexuality is all very well (apart from the fact that the same God didn't mention it to Mahommed) but he also forbade contraception, liquor, divorce, eating pork, killing people, working on Saturdays, and a whole host of other things, if all the interpretations are to be believed.

Similarly, many people latch on to the indisputable un-naturalness of homosexuality. So what? Just about every aspect of our modern lifestyle is unnatural, from the preservatives we put in our foods, to the pathogenic pressures we willingly create for ourselves as we fling our whole society towards the twenty-first century, for no better reason than to get there and to start the whole business over again. If we are going to base our laws on nature, then we had better legislate for cave-dwelling right now. We can't have the benefits of progress without the disadvantages cropping up also, and throwing law books at the disadvantages won't make them go away.

"Aids!" I hear you cry, "What about Aids?" Aids is a health problem not a legal one, and can no more be dealt with by legislation than any other sexually transmitted disease can be. There is a great temptation, I know, to become incensed over the issues of contaminated blood or sperm donations, and to call for Draconian laws to make the whole homosexual community suffer, but to what effect? That is like dealing with drunken drivers by introducing prohibition, and like prohibition, can't work anyway.

There may be a case for legislating against the individuals who donate contaminated material. The precise records kept by blood and sperm banks would make identification certain, although there would be considerable difficulty proving mens rea (unfortunate term, that one, especially in the present discussion). Anyway, that is a specific aspect of the whole issue, and does not bear upon the broad question of consenting homosexual conduct between adults.

So your arguments fail, Des. They fail firstly because they don't stand up to objective scrutiny. More importantly though, they fail tactically. You have attacked those who hysterically present half-truths and biased ideas to promote reform, but you attack them by using the same methods. I agree that you can't mend the law with lies, but you can't defend it with them either.

Let them amend the law if they want to. The whole thing is stupendously boring and irrelevant anyway, and my bet is that nothing will change perceptibly, except the wording of the Crimes Act. Unseen by the rest of us, all over our communities, among the invisible majority of the homosexual fraternity, some people who have more than enough problems to cope with already will be able to feel just a little less paranoid as they practise a lifestyle which they will follow anyway, regardless of the law. Put that way, reform is not liberal, just humane.

And as for your suggestion that reform will result in society's demise within a generation, Des, well I'm sorry, but I just can't believe you're serious. We'll leave that one for our grandchildren to argue over, shall we, if they survive to do so? Somehow, I think they will. ■

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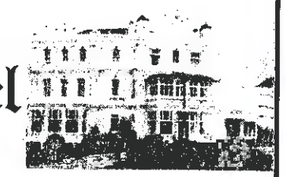

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By Peter Burridge

Well there I was . . . lying flat out across four seats of a Pan Am Jumbo en route to London on an overnight flight from New York. It was the end of November 1984, and I was partway through my overseas study programme.

The weather outside (even at thirty odd thousand feet above the Atlantic) was terrible. The flight was only about 25% full (in fact it's a point worth noting intending travellers . . . night flights across the Atlantic are often fairly empty) so I had plenty of room to stretch out and relax before the next stage of my programme.

I had departed from Auckland on a U.T.A. French Airlines flight en route to Los Angeles, via Tahiti, on the night of the 15th November. My first point of research was to begin in Illinois State in the U.S.A. and the best value for money (at that time) was that flight out on U.T.A. Unlike the weather in North America at the start of the northern winter, Tahiti was quite warm. The flight stops over for a day and one evening before continuing on to Los Angeles. This gave me sufficient time to get an idea of what the place was like. Nice people, pleasant climate, but very, very expensive. I had arranged to have my accommodation pre-booked and this was well worthwhile. But I enjoyed the brief stopover and I would recommend it for those going to the States and wanting a little taste of the European Continent en route.



View from the dining room of the Hotel Climat de France, Tahiti, French Polynesia, where I stayed one night en route to Los Angeles by U.T.A.

No doubt you are wondering what the study programme was that allowed me to travel overseas (in the firm's time). Well I had been awarded a Study Grant by the Australasian Police College, Sydney. This was to enable me to investigate various people, equipment and methods of operation used overseas in the area of crime scene examinations . . . but with, of course, a particular emphasis upon the fingerprint side of things. My application (the third one that I had made over a period of years) has firstly been considered against similar applications from other members of the New Zealand

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Police (all obviously putting forward different intended study subjects) and then the lucky one (in this case mine) sent forward for consideration against the other selections from the nine Police Forces that comprise the Australian and New Zealand Police services. There are five study grants awarded each year. As someone here in New Zealand said, when I was informed of my being granted an award . . . it must have been New Zealand's turn!

Various Countries to be Visited

My programme was to cover the period of November to February, the countries visited to be the U.S.A. (Illinois State Police), United Kingdom (New Scotland Yard, Devon and Cornwall, West Midlands and various Home Office facilities), Holland (Fingerprint and Crime Scene Equipment suppliers), Scandinavia (the National Police services of each of those three States), West Germany (The National Criminal Police), Hong Kong (Royal Hong Kong Police) and Tokyo, Japan (The National Police Agency and a Crime Scene Equipment supplier). The bulk of the time was to be spent in the United Kingdom, with most of the other venues intended to allow for a balanced view of methods seen so that a basic overall idea was obtained. The period that I was away was the northern winter. This was most suitable for a variety of reasons ranging from the fact that it is the University summer break period here in New Zealand, through to the fact that certain types of incidents frequently take place during the "Festive Season" in Europe. Of course it meant that I had to seriously consider the best way to combat the harsh winters of Europe and at the same time see as much as possible during my stay. So it was that I settled upon a travel programme involving Air, Rail (to cocoon me against the worst of winters weather) and warm places to be accommodated at, whilst staying at any particular place for any length of time.



A typical street scene in the heart of Down Town Tahiti.

A Disappointment

The only disappointment of my whole trip was that during my very brief stopover at Los Angeles en route to St Louis and the Illinois Department of Law Enforcement, I was not able to link up with my contact in L.A.P.D. and have a brief look over their fingerprint system. However, in retrospect, it was probably a stroke of good fortune, as it allowed me to get to the Los Angeles Airport with plenty of time to spare to catch the T.W.A. flight for St Louis. Now, it would seem that American internal flights are frequently over-booked. This particular flight was no exception, but luckily, first in, first on. It was important that I didn't miss that flight for my host with the Illinois Department of Law Enforcement, Supervisor Dave Grieve, had travelled from his base in Carbondale, a hundred odd miles, to meet me on my arrival at St Louis. However, all was well and the flight comfortable and uneventful. We flew across the snow capped Rockies and the plains of the American Middle West. Of course the arrival in St Louis was to a damp cold evening. A real winters' evening if you know what I mean.

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Dave met me as arranged and we made our way via the Airport concourse, to his (Japanese) sedan. One thing of particular note at St Louis Airport, was the original airplane, "The Spirit of St Louis" flown by Charles Lindburg, across the Atlantic some 50 odd years previously. There it was, suspended from the Terminal ceiling!

The period of my stay with the Illinois Department of Law Enforcement, was tremendous. My host Dave Grieve, his wife Rhoda, family and relatives, were all most hospitable and friendly. I travelled from Carbondale (in the South of Illinois) some three hundred miles north to Chicago on the shores of Lake Michigan; visited en route various facilities and was impressed by what I saw. In particular the ease and accepted use of modern, up to date, equipment. For a population of some 23 million in the State, there are six Laser Units available to Police. What I wouldn't give for such equipment here in New Zealand.

It was very cold, though with very little snow about, during my stay in Illinois. Temperatures were around zero most of the time, with clear blue skies common. However, some overcast (or maybe pollution) was evident around the Chicago area. It was here that I had Thanksgiving Dinner with Dave's relatives. It was a very interesting and enjoyable weekend, and gave me "an insight" into family life in the U.S.A.



The State Capital Building in Springfield Illinois, U.S.A. In the foreground is my host, Fingerprint Supervisor, Dave Grieve of the Illinois Department of Law Enforcement.

Via New York

Upon completion of my all too short period, and the kind attention of my host, it was by AMTRAK (the Lake Shore Limited) to New York to meet with my Pan Am flight to London. Why via New York you ask? The same reason that I flew out of New Zealand by U.T.A. It was the best value for money . . . and since this was the first time

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that I was able to use Government funds for travel on "non-government airlines", my travel agents had been able to shop around and get me the best prices available. Remember that although certain funds are supplied to use for study periods, the funds are not unlimited and care has to be taken to ensure that they (the funds) stretch as far as possible.

I can honestly say that without the kind assistance of my hosts in the United States, there is no way that I could have included that portion in my study programme. Remember that the New Zealand dollar . . . at that time was worth about 46c US. (Thanks to devaluation!)



An "AMTRAK" locomotive of the type used on the Lake Shore Limited from Chicago to New York.

18-Hour Trip

The train trip from Chicago to New York's Grand Central Station (at the base of the Pan Am Building in the centre of New York), takes about 18 hours. It was unfortunate that the portion of the trip passing the Great Lakes (before turning south for New York) was in total darkness. But the train was warm and comfortable, the food good and reasonably priced and all in all provided quite a comfortable night's sleep in the "aircraft style" seat. As we entered the upper reaches of the Hudson River Valley the sun came up and the day became another sunny (though very cold) one enabling us to have a good look at the scenery. And was it worthwhile! The river is fairly wide for quite a considerable portion of its course. We passed through numerous small townships and stopped for a short time in the New York State capital, Albany.

Impressive Sights

I was fortunate to have as a fellow passenger on this portion of the trip, a gentleman involved in property development, well versed in his local history and able to explain many of the items of passing interest.

It was the first time that I had visited the United States and found throughout my journey, considerable assistance provided from ordinary members of the public. However, the gentleman in the train was able to explain in depth, much of what I saw en route.

Two sights in particular stick in my mind from that trip. One was the impressive facilities of the American Military Officer's Training Academy at West Point (overlooking the Hudson River) and the second was the burnt-out buildings of the New York City's Bronx District. This was seen from the train just before we dived underground before pulling into the Grand Central Station in the heart of the City.

Busy City

It was a real pity that I didn't have more than a few hours in which to have a quick look around that City. The weather (believe it or not) was warm (about 56 degrees F) and muggy. The city was busy and I promised myself that "next time" I would have a decent look around. However, again it was business first and I had a plane to catch. I made a point of being early, and just as well for it took our coach driver some two hours to get through the 6 p.m. traffic jams to get to J.F.K. Airport. Next time I might take the Pan Am helicopter. By the way, the distance is about 12 miles, but, boy oh boy, what traffic!

On to Britain

I had a light evening meal at the Airport and then noticed that the weather was changing. It was becoming much cooler and starting to rain. It didn't look like being much of a night for flying after all. But as I said at the beginning, the plane was only 25% full and I had as much room as I wanted.

The movie didn't look like it was going to be much, so with supper over it was time to put down the blankets, fold up the arm rests (on all four seats) and have a decent night's sleep.

I awoke the next morning, to find that we were crossing the Irish Sea and passing over Lands End. What a sight. The sun was up, the sky blue (with a little cloud) the English countryside a brilliant green (after the brown/grey tones of the American Middle West) and the Pan Am breakfast just what I wanted.

It was looking good for the major part of my stay in Britain. More about that in Part 2. See you next issue. Bye for now . . .

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One of the most well-known English police cars is the Rover 3.5 V8. The West Midlands Police use this one for motorway work. Its red and white colour-scheme earns it the affectionate nickname "Jam sandwich".
(White with bright red stripe outlined in blue and blue roof-light)



The French CRS is a mobile force which is often used for demonstrations, riots and so on. They use vehicles such as this Mercedes Unimog truck for this purpose.
(Grey and dark grey)



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(Medium blue and white with red roof-lights)



The new Renault "Traffic" T1000D van is becoming a popular police vehicle. Here it is shown in the distinctive colours of the Dutch municipal police.
(White and orange with blue roof-lights)



A mean-looking Camaro Z28 chase car of the California Highway Patrol. In an endeavour to decrease wind resistance, there is no light/siren assembly on the roof. Flashing blue/red lights are mounted in the back window.
(Black and white)

Roly is building up a library of photographs of police vehicles of the world. These are used as reference material to make accurate miniature police vehicles for his collection of model police cars. If you can help him with either photographs or illustrated booklets (of the recruiting brochure type), he would be very pleased to hear from you. He can be contacted at the Wellington Youth Aid Section, P.O. Box 693, Wellington.

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World Police Ski Championships

Trento 1985

Contributed by I. M. Revell

Each year, since 1979, the Italian Police have hosted a skiing championship for Police at Trento in Northern Italy. Trento is situated adjacent to Mt Bondone, a ski resort of international standard. The championship began as a European Police gathering, but soon spread to the Americas and more lately to Asia, including China and Japan. Australia attended for the first time in 1983, and again in 1985 when the New Zealand flag was raised for the first time by the attendance of Senior Sergeant Ian Revell. Ian, accompanied by his wife, Susan, combined a scheduled European holiday and attended Tronto from 2nd to 10th March 1985.

Each country is invited to select and send a team of six competitors and a team manager. In 1985 there were over 100 Police skiers present from 24 countries — not forgetting a Policewoman from San Marino. There are 4 events offered: slalom, giant slalom, cross country and a patrol race (which incorporates a crosscountry run together with a pistol target shoot.)

This event is sponsored by several large corporations, who benefit from advertising and through the coverage of the finals on Italian National Television, and some footage shown on various European Television sports programmes. The sponsorship enables the organisers to provide accommodation, meals and transfers for the duration of the championships, leaving the competitors free to concentrate their fundraising on transport, air fares etc. Many Western Governments co-operated by providing space in military aircraft for their competitors, whilst others received grants from their various sporting organisations to cushion the substantial transport costs. The Canadian Government even provided military space to enable the entire R.C.M.P. Band to attend the opening ceremony. Perhaps *our* Pipe Band in '87 . . .?

The championship was run most efficiently and with great ceremony. All praise is due to Guido Malossini, a Police Officer and General Secretary of the Organising Committee, whose untiring efforts produced a most successful 8 days. Each Police Officer was required to bring a uniform to wear (during the opening and closing ceremonies, only) and the spectacle of 24 different uniforms ranging from the scarlet of the Canadian Mounties with riding breeches and spurs, to the "Bobby" hats of England and New Zealand, brought out the town.

The "apres ski" was no less enthusiastic than the effort put into the official events, and many friendships were cemented during the informal social gatherings. Every Police person present could eventually recite off by heart the words of a certain Norwegian song that ends in the exhortation "Hey skol . . ."

Ian was presented with a cup which he hopes will become an annual challenge cup within New Zealand for future entrants to the Trento championship. To that end it is proposed that a "run-off" ski meeting be held early in the winter of 1986, with the cup presented to the best "all rounder" in terms of the four events offered. Those successful will then have sufficient time to organise fundraising to cover travel and incidental costs to enter for Trento in the March 1987 championship. All interested Policemen and women are invited to contact Ian at Otahuhu Police Station in order to appoint an organising committee for the "run-off".

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Policeman's Lot

Who said Policemen don't have a sense of humour? This piece of literary genius appeared in the March-April edition of The Police News and was loaned to us by a member of the local force.

Last Will and Testament

I, the country Cop, being of unsound mind and worn out body, hereby make my last Will and Testament:

To my Wife:
I leave all my worldly goods and a big apology for not being home as often as I should and for being so tired when I was home and she wanted to go out. I also take this last opportunity to explain that I really wasn't having as much fun at work as she imagined.

To my Children:
I leave all the wisdom we coppers never had, in the hope that they will grow up to seek sensible employment and not be at the beck and call of a public who doesn't want them.

To the Officers:
Who through the years have supplied us with inadequate transport, poor equipment, impossible stations, poor leadership and who have gone out of their way to make our working lives a misery, I leave all the equipment, in order that it may be melted down and turned into suppositories so that they can do with it what I have been wanting to tell them to do with it for years.

To the Officers:
Who were fair minded and took an interest in us, I leave a friendly wave and good wishes. To the other officers, aforementioned, I also leave a wave, but add a slightly different finger and wrist action.

To the College:
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and other assorted bull dust in the hope that some day, someone will introduce a uniformity of training which will assist the working police officer.

To the Crown Solicitors:
Who withdrew prosecutions or plea bargained against my wishes or in my absence, I leave a pair of sweaty socks and a set of water wings for the next time they try to walk on water.

To the Defence Solicitors:
Who harassed me, laid allegations against me and called me a liar, under the privilege of the court room, I leave a stone, to be placed under each piece of paper they have to write on and the hope that their wives run off with the local carbage collectors.

Finally, to those in the Force who have prevented the promotion of worthy coppers by
1. Malicious gossip
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I leave the sure knowledge that if I had to do it all over again, I would probably do it all over them.

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Extraordinary Canine Greeting

By Cliff Redley

Recently I had the pleasure of attending the Annual General Meeting and the National Executive Council Meeting of the New Zealand Section in Auckland, New Zealand.

Arriving at Auckland airport late in the evening, I was met by a familiar face, Lawrie Philpott, the Secretary-General of the section and not so familiar face but very familiar name, Carole Reidy, the section's Editor.

"I had to bring Lawrie along because I was all nervy and I didn't know who the hell to look for," said Carole with a large nervous looking grin on her face. Never been greeted in that manner before so after planting a greeting kiss on Carole's left cheek and a shake of Lawrie's hand, it was off to the departmental car parked close to the terminal.

After being referee to a fight and declaring Lawrie the driver, as Carole felt she could not drive at that time probably because she thought she would not be able to talk, so she sat in the back seat and never stopped talking in the time it took Lawrie to drive to his abode in Mount Le Grand Road, Mt Eden. Lawrie was staying with his daughter Helen.

It was now change drivers, with Carole taking the controls making our way onto Dominion Road and heading for the motorway. It was a long drive following the number 16 road sign which eventually took us to the Ararimu Valley Road, through the Pine Forest — partly taken over by large clumps of pampus grass — towards Waimauku and "Cromptonwood" — typically English — the name of the farmhouse where I was to stay for the following week.

Stepping out of the car, I was politely told that I was now in quarantine, imagine how I felt. Moments later, the sentence was rephrased much to my liking as I remembered that Carole had mentioned in her last letter to me that she was a breeder of the Saluki breed of canine. Anyway, carrying my case and travel bag, I followed Carole to the back door of her very quaint house, she opened the door, I entered and "BANG" a canine greeting. Dogs came at me from all directions jumping on my back, front, and sides. The bloody dogs were as big as I was — I am now three inches shorter — and the usual saying of, "They won't hurt you, they don't normally jump up, they are just greeting you" was prominent from the owners. How many times we have heard that saying! There were five adult dogs and I was pleased to see that the eight puppies were caged. The two cats, Yisss (Yes) cats as well, a Havana and a Siamese, I think, weren't caged but they would have had the longest claws imaginable.

You may at this stage think that I was complaining, not on your nelly, how could one complain about those sort of conditions when your host was the glorious and jovial Carole Reidy. I only saw her cry four times, three when she laughed so much she cried and the other was when I left and I am not sure whether that was because she was glad to see me go or she wanted me to stay!

"Cromptonwood" is a ten acre property with a very neat weatherboard type farmhouse dwelling situated on undulating land, approximately 36 kilometres from the city of Auckland. The property has many outbuildings including the well constructed kennels which house the Saluki. It was beautiful to wake up in the morning — that is if we were not up before them of course — to the noises of the cattle and the different species of bird life.

During my one week stay in Auckland the weather was not too good. Plenty of rain and very strong winds. Naturally I was told on several occasions that Wellington was the only place that was windy. However, the inclement weather did not dampen or prevent my efforts in viewing some of the scenery of Auckland by day.

After arriving on the Wednesday and spending the remainder of that evening at Carole's, we were off on the Thursday to the city, to Central Police Station and after having morning tea in the police canteen and I think lunch, I was taken on a sightseeing tour by Carole and Lawrie and it didn't matter in which direction you travelled, you could see the "Rangitoto Island" and I was told not once but many times that it doesn't matter which direction this island is viewed from, it always looks the same.

Our first stop was on the summit of Mt Eden (Maungawhau) meaning the "Hill of the WHAU TREE". It is here that the ancient old fortress of the Waiohua people was built. An extinct volcano with the external slopes having been artificially steepened and terraced for defence and make level ground for houses and storage pits. In some cases, the terraces probably had palisades. Other living places were on the rim of the summit crater and on the crests of the previous eruptions where many storage pits can be seen. Being sacred to Matuaho "God of Volcanoes" the interior of the crater was not occupied.

Also known as the most southern part of land between Hobson's Bay and Cox's Green, Mt Eden was purchased from the Maori on 18th September, 1815.

It was very windy on the summit of Mt Eden and Carole had difficulty in holding her pen and paper to scribe a few notes. I had difficulty in standing still to allow Lawrie to take the photograph.

From Mt Eden we visited the Kelly Tarlton's Underwater World, a newly constructed marine animal waterway. The various species of fish life are from the waters of New Zealand.

After riding the conveyor belt at Kelly Tarlton's, we drove to Mt Victoria-Takorunga. Mt Victoria is another of the many extinct volcanoes in Auckland and it is where the Kawerau Tribe lived for several centuries before being conquered by the Ngatipaoa in the 18th century. Terraces and pits dug out by the Maori inhabitants can still be seen, particularly on the northern and eastern slopes.

The first European to climb the summit of Mt Victoria was the French navigator, D'Urville in 1827. In honour of Queen Victoria, Mt Victoria was so named, replacing the Maori name "Taka-A-Ranga".

A steel structured signal mast was erected on the summit in 1954, replacing the mast which was erected in February 1846. That mast replaced the mast erected in March 1842 and the top of that mast now stands in the Windsor Reserve.

During the Russian War scare of 1884-86, four 64 pound rifle muzzle loader guns were sited on the summit and these were later replaced by an 8in gun in 1888.

Mt Victoria overlooks Auckland from the seaward or eastern side, viewing North Head, Naval Base, the Mission Bay thru Devonport, the harbour bridge, ferry and hydrofoil.

Lawrie being a past naval type, wanted to deposit a couple of naval history books at the Naval Museum, so we took a trip there. The museum is quite interesting with displays of medals, uniforms, various parts of ship structure, models of ships and boats, photographs and written history articles and numerous other collections. The museum's collection is still accumulating although display space is limited and since its opening on the 5th May, 1982, by the Chief of the Naval Staff, Rear Admiral K.M. Saul, it has had tremendous support. An interesting place to spend a little time at.

Thursday evening was spent at the farmhouse with my friends!!!



Friday was the day of the National Executive Council Meeting and Annual General Meeting. The Executive meeting

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commenced at 10 a.m. and I was introduced to the members by my host, Editor Carole Reidy. The meeting continued until 3 p.m. when it was adjourned to Saturday, 9 a.m. to enable members to attend the Annual General Meeting which commenced at 4 p.m. This meeting was well attended with the majority of members being from the host region, Auckland. At the completion, I had the pleasure of being presented with a plaque by the President, Brian Walkinshaw on behalf of the members of New Zealand.

After the meeting had been declared closed at approximately 6 p.m. we retired to the Auckland Central Police Club and after a while there, we trekked our way to the New Orient Restaurant, Strand Arcade, Elliott Street, which was not far from the police club. The Chinese meal was most enjoyable and my sincere thanks go to the members of the Auckland Region for their generous hospitality.

As the evening drew to a close and it appeared that I was the only one amongst my party who had not partook in the usual beverages, I was placed in the precarious position of having to drive for the first time in New Zealand. The vehicle I was to drive was a one man vehicle — the owner's — meaning that it was very difficult to find the controls and when found, difficult to







manipulate. No power steering either. That is all I will say about it other than my male passengers were compelled to travel in the dog pen affixed to the back of it because the lady passengers, two of them, insisted on the front seats so they could tell me where to go. You guessed it, the vehicle was a ute and the girls were of no use whatsoever.

As I had only travelled to Waimauku in the dark, I was really in the dark as to how I would find my way there, especially after leaving the motorway as it becomes very dark without street lighting and very few landmarks to pick out.

Inclement weather conditions prevailed at the time and with the unlit roads this not only made my driving more difficult but also very tiring. However, I made it home and believe me, it was the first time that I had arrived without being greeted by the canine family.

This same Friday evening, Auckland experienced the first of many planned



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demonstrations in the city in light of the Rugby Union's recently announced approval of the New Zealand Rugby tour of South Africa. An estimated 25,000 demonstrators took part in a march down Queen Street. I was glad to have been in the restaurant at the time.

Saturday was another early rise, to travel to the city to attend the second part of the Executive meeting which commenced at 9 a.m. and closed at 3 p.m. following which we all attended a barbecue at the police club and kindly prepared by the members of the host region.

Greg McManus of the Photographic Section, Auckland, was my chauffeur for the journey back to the farmhouse, "Cromptonwood", after the barbecue because Carole had another appointment but was home when I arrived and yisss (yes) you guessed it, to a canine greeting and to the loud barking of two German Shepherd champions who were not keen on being



locked in their travelling pens because of the quarantine conditions.

Sunday was another day where we had to wait for the inclement weather conditions to clear before we could go on our planned small aircraft flight over Auckland. Carole and I travelled to the North Shore airstrip where we met up with Brian Walkinshaw, Owen Jacobson and Robin Chester, our pilot to be, husband of the National Travel Secretary, Jill Chester.

The flight was quite pleasant and we were able to have a panoramic aerial view of Auckland because most of the cloud had dispersed. The windy conditions made our landing somewhat of an experience as we approached the land strip side on but we were in very capable hands as Robin is also a pilot with Air New Zealand, flying much larger aircraft.

After the flight, Brian, Owen, Robin — the driver — and myself travelled to the home of Nora Crawford, The National Treasurer, where we were entertained with afternoon tea before Robin chauffeured me to the very nice home of Derek and Valerie Cantello. Here I was entertained by them and Valerie's mother for several hours and enjoyed a typical English roast and pleasant relaxation before Derek and Valerie drove me on the long journey back to the Reidys' place.

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Monday I spent in the company of Greg McManus and was taken on a leisurely drive through the inner suburbs of Auckland. To the Michael Joseph Savage Memorial at Bastion Point. Savage was the first Labour Prime Minister of New Zealand. From there it was the drive to One Tree Hill — Yisss (Yes) they have one too — One Tree Hill. Ancient Maori pa. Maungakiekie (Hill of the Kiekie Plant) another extinct volcano, was the largest and most populous of the many Maori settlements in Auckland. At the centre of the volcanic cone, there was a defended and inhabited zone on the rim of the main crater. Fortified by transverse, the whole complex was much the same as the others and it appeared that the Maori made it difficult for would be attackers to raid the crops of sweet potato (kumara) which was grown on the flat land.

The pa was inhabited by the Waiohua Tribe from about the 14th to the middle of the 18th century, when they were driven out by the Ngatiwhatua from Kaipara. One Tree Hill was named from a sacred Totara tree which stood on the hilltop until 1876 and now replaced with a Pine tree.

On our way back to Central Police Station, the patrol car in which we were travelling decided it didn't want to go back and as stubborn as a mule, stopped halfway up the gradient leading to the police station. Embarrassed! how can you make out you are motor mechanics taking the car for a test drive when you are dressed in neat walkout clothing!

We discovered that when the car runs out of L.P.G. it should be changed over to petrol by pulling a lever into the petrol on position, but what do you do when the lever is already in that position? Excuse the pun Greg, you put the lever back to L.P.G. The motor then starts to run on petrol and we were able to reach our destination.

I was taken home by Carole via the bus this night and disembarked at a designated point where we were to be met by Carole's hubby who then drove us home. We spent the evening at home in company of our canine friends, ever tried cutting into a piece of steak and not knowing whether it is really the steak or the muzzle of one of the five Saluki?

Tuesday, I was to make my own way into Central Police Station as Carole had a 5.30 a.m. start and it was felt that that was a little too early for me to be sitting around. Although this wouldn't have mattered because as it turned out, when Carole's hubby dropped me off at a bus stop, I had missed the bus. The second bus didn't turn up and talking to a local girl who was also waiting for the bus, we discovered by reading her bus time table that there should have been another one within about fifteen minutes, so we waited. This was fair enough I thought as we had already waited nearly an hour. Another hour passed by and nothing. Another perusal of the time table and a bus in two minutes. It turned up and I was on my way again. Public Transport!!

Derek Cantello of the Fingerprint Section met me at the police station and after a discussion it was decided that I would spend what was left of the day footing around the shops of the city before meeting Carole for our journey home to enjoy another quiet evening.

Wednesday was the morning of my departure and Carole suggested that we travel to the city by bus. You have guessed what my answer to that suggestion was, so out came Carole's M.G.B. sports car, well I think that is what it was, the shape and other features which were just visible under several coats of mud. The road to Cromptonwood is of a metallic surface, hence the mud on the car. No wonder Carole didn't want to drive into the city and all the time



saying it was the parking situation that she didn't like.

Still, jovial Carole made up for the misgivings. Although small in stature of slim build and fragile looks, she had a heart of gold and the strength of an ox and was ably suited as a porter when she insisted that she would carry my luggage for me. The photograph tells the story but it doesn't show the streamlet of tears flowing down her cheeks caused by the continuous laughter which had existed during our journey to the city.

It was time to leave Central Police Station and the many friends I had met, to be driven to the airport by Derek Cantello who guided me through the various boarding procedures.

It was difficult to say goodbye to Carole at the police station, but I am glad it took place there whilst she was on the outside of the lift car and I was on the inside.

Although the inclement weather conditions had prevailed for best part of my stay, this was outweighed by the tremendous

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The Dalmatian influence on the New Zealand wine industry

The Lure of the Gumfields

THE ESTABLISHMENT of the Dalmatian immigrants in New Zealand is thought to have commenced with the desertion of a number of sailors from German and Austrian ships that visited the Kaipara Harbour to load timber during the 1860s and 1870s. Pahi was then a thriving timber port and parts of the Kaipara coastline are said to resemble the somewhat indented coastline of their native Dalmatia.

Kauri gum digging was rising in commercial importance during this time, and because it was an industry that required little training or special skill, and very little money, many of these sailors were drawn to the gumfields. There, by dint of hard work in extremely arduous and depressing conditions, they were able to save and accumulate some capital which, when they later became homesick and returned to their homeland was often regarded as a small fortune.

Dalmatia at that time suffered from over-population, unemployment, and they also had compulsory conscription for young men; and for many the lure of the gumfields and the opportunity to set themselves and their families up in better circumstances was infinitely more attractive than to face the uninspiring future at home. Many young men were encouraged by their families to join relatives on the New Zealand gumfields, and thus avoid being called up to serve in the army. At about this same time, Yugoslavia was experiencing an outbreak of phylloxera in their vineyards, with similar disastrous effects to the outbreak occurring some years before in France.

Most of the Dalmatian immigrants were fit males in their mid 20s, and because they often arrived in groups, and worked in groups on the gumfields, and because of the language barrier they found it difficult at first to integrate with the local New Zealand population. This caused them to be regarded with suspicion and because their motivation was to earn money to take back to their homeland rather than to contribute towards the development of the fledgling colony, they aroused feelings of resentment and antagonism among the local New Zealand settlers.

The direct result of this wave of ill-feeling was the passing by the Seddon Government of the KAURI GUM INDUSTRY ACT 1898 which established reserves for British diggers only, and also imposed a 3-month residential qualification before any person was permitted to dig for gum.

Industrious Settlers

The passing of this restrictive Act led to a number of Dalmatians turning away from the gumfields to viticulture and a number of vineyards were established by Dalmatian settlers at Pahi on the Kaipara Harbour in the 1890s and later at Kerikeri, the Puhata settlement at Herekino and later still at Henderson and Oratia.

The Italian viticulturist Romeo Bragato in a report on the New Zealand Wine industry commented that: "The Dalmatians who were formerly looked at askance, and regarded as undesirable immigrants, may now be counted as industrious, sober and thrifty settlers with a permanent attachment to and substantial stake in this country of their occupation."

The decline of the Kauri gum industry brought more Dalmatians to the cities where they took up restaurants, fish shops and also became involved in the fishing industry as well as wine making and horticulture.

Household Names

Joe Babich was one of the Dalmatians who left his ancestral home in Imotski in 1910 at the age of 14 and joined his three brothers who were toiling on the gumfields

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in the far north. There at Kaikino just south of Cape Reinga grape vines were planted, tended and in due course the grapes were trodden in the time-honoured traditional way and wine was made to sell in a newly established wine shop to the local diggers and settlers. The gumfields were then beginning to run out and the price of gum was not as attractive as it had been, and Joe moved to Henderson in 1919.

He established vines and an orchard and also milked cows on a 24 hectare property and some years later married Mara Grgic. Their five children followed their industrious parents' example and together they built the family company of Babich Wines Ltd one of the soundest medium-sized companies in the industry.

This firm is a very good example of the industry and zeal that epitomises Dalmatian families. Nobilos, Delegats, Mazurans, Selaks are similar family owned and operated wine-producing companies that have contributed a great deal to the secure footing that the New Zealand Wine Industry enjoys today. Their names are household words, and they have a reputation for making sound wine at moderate prices.

Wine-making Skill

Other Dalmatians like the Yukich brothers, Frank, Ivan and Mate may not be so well known to the general public, but their contribution was to establish Montana Wines, which is today by far the biggest single wine-producing company operating in New Zealand. When Frank sold his interest in Montana, he bought into Penfolds, and from 1977 onwards, he set about restructuring the Company and its Henderson winery. He has a particular skill at making wine and money (not necessarily in that order) and in the years between 1976 and 1979 Penfold's net profits rose from $17,000 to $524,000 while it began to capture an increasing share of the market.

True Place of Wine

George Mazuran was another Dalmatian who made his mark in the wine industry. For more than 25 years during his term as President of the Viticulture Association, George was constantly lobbying the politicians to look to the interests of the wine industry, and in 1971 he was awarded an O.B.E. to mark his services to the wine industry.

It was largely due to his efforts that restrictive and archaic licensing laws were relaxed, the 40% sales tax (imposed as a wartime measure) was halved, and the licensing of wine manufacturers was revamped. Much of the pressure for change in the social scene and the public wine consumption with food stemmed from servicemen who returned from war service in Italy and other continental countries where they had experienced wine with food as a natural part of daily living, and thus had gained a healthy appreciation of the true place of wine in our lives.

Great Contribution

It is due to the Dalmatians more than any other single nationality that the N.Z. wine industry owes its strength. Todays "Dally" is much more likely to greet you with "Gidday!" rather than "Dobra Dosli!" but he will still retain something of the cultural heritage of his forebears, and he will probably also demonstrate that application to hard work that enabled him to thrive and succeed where lesser mortals would have succumbed to aversity. ■

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The Shovewood

From "Roll on My Twelve"

By David Bolster
(Found by Lawrie P.)

I AM BASHFUL about publishing the story of the shovewood so as to make it available to the laity. Do not misunderstand me: it is a story which reflects the greatest credit on all branches of the Service. But I have always thought of it as one of the sacred mysteries of the Naval wardroom, a story told always to the most newly joined officer, but never breathed ashore.

Recently, however, someone published a version of the yarn in a magazine. He has no copyright of this story; and besides, his version has nothing like the glory of the one I know.

Once upon a time the 5,700-ton cruiser *Mombresia*, having commissioned at Devonport and "worked up", was sent out to join the 33rd Cruiser Squadron at Malta.

The Rear Admiral commanding the squadron was delighted with his new ship. She was the very latest thing out of a British shipyard — this was at the peace-time rate of building — and had all the latest gadgets. Accordingly, he lost little time in coming over to inspect her.

Now, as ill-luck would have it, the very day before the inspection, one of the fine old crusted three-badge Able Seamen Storekeepers was "took bad", so seriously that he had to be sent ashore. Before they swung him over the side on his stretcher, he had a parting word with his temporary successor, a mere two-badge A.B. with only ten years "in"; and the anguish on his face was not wholly due to gastric troubles.

"Now see 'ere," he threatened, "for Chrissake don't make a muck-up. If you lets me down, I'll fill you in good an' proper, see, when I gets back."

"Ah, stow it, Nobby," said his Winger, "we got everything on top line, ain't we? Can't nothink go wrong, so quit natterin' an' go an' 'ave a week wiv the luscious nurses."

Nobby still wasn't happy: he went over the side muttering about "careless, ignorant youngsters, ain't been in the Navy 'alf a dog-watch."

It seemed, though, that he had no cause for uneasiness. The store, next morning, was a model of order and cleanliness. The shelves and pigeon-holes were in apple pie order, all tallies were polished; and the fair copy of the stores list, laboriously written out by the absent Nobby, lay open in the centre of the desk, beside which, in his Number Ones, stood Nobby's relief, with the moisture breaking out on the palms of his hands.

To him there appeared, in order, the following: 1 boy bugler, the Master-at-Arms bearing a lantern, the Rear-Admiral, the Captain, the Commander, the First Lieutenant, the Paymaster, the Engineer Commander, the Gunnery Officer, the Torpedo Officer, the Flag Lieutenant, the Surgeon Lieutenant Commander, two nervous Midshipmen — the Captain's and Commander's doggies, one regulating Petty Officer, one Royal Marine Messenger and a signal rating with pad and pencil.

The Admiral was affable, looked briskly round the store, blinked, said it was very well kept, asked the rigid storekeeper how long he had been in the Navy, where he had served before, and whether he was married. He nodded at the answers, rubbed his nose with one finger and took a look at the stores list spread open on the desk.

"Ah," he said, "I see you've got a shovewood."

The Captain had been looking over the Admiral's shoulder; this gave him the presence of mind to answer "Yessir, we have."

"Splendid," nodded the Admiral, "I'd like to see it."

Here several thousand eyes were turned on the storekeeper, who was an oak struck by lightning, erect as ever, but the heart blasted within him. His lips moved soundessly and the chill in his nerves paralysed time in flight.

"Come on, my man," snapped the Admiral, "have you got this shovewood or not?"

But the horror stayed with our storekeeper and he uttered no word. What was a shovewood? He'd only been ten years in the Navy, but all the same he thought he knew every store article in the service. There *couldn't* be a thing called a shovewood.

"Man's an ass," barked the Admiral turning on his heel. "Show me your shovewood before I leave the ship."

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"Aye, aye, Sir," said the Captain, fixing two red-hot eyes on the storekeeper as he left in the Admiral's wake.

And each officer, as he wheeled to go out cast murderous looks on the stricken man for he had Let the Ship Down.

The stately caravan swept on, the Captain saying sternly to the Commander, "See about the shovewood," the Commander murmuring "Aye, aye, Sir" and passing the order over his shoulder to the Pay, the Pay passing it — and so on.

But before the avalanche descended on that store, the two-badge locum tenens had time to fling himself at the book and stare. There was the entry, no doubt at all:

"Shovewood . . ."

It was bitter to have to confess to the departing Admiral that the shovewood could not be produced. C.S.33 was displeased: "Send me a signal when I can come and see it."

As soon as he'd been piped away, an inquest was held. The supply P.O. swore he'd seen the shovewood only the other day. So did the T.G.M. The wretched storekeeper swore he'd never seen it at all. The Boatswain said the damn thing must be somehere, you could hardly run a ship of this class without a shovewood. The Chief Engine Room Artificer concurred. The Pay said the thing to do was to find out on whose charge the shovewood was and then jump on him, by God. The Chief Gunner's Mate said that in all his twenty-two years in the Service he'd never known a shovewood lost before. The Commander said he didn't want to listen to drivel: he wanted something done.



At this point the Gunner (G), who wanted to get to his gin, took his courage in both hands and, feeling moderately sure that all those present were as ignorant of the shovewood as himself, said, "Well, sir, if it can't be found, I'm sure my department could run up quite a satisfactory one in no time, something like this . . ." and he began to sketch on a signal pad.

But the Engineer Commander broke in with "I think this is a matter for my department" and snatched the sketch out of the Gunner's hand.

The Engineer Commander bustled off with the Chief E.R.A. in attendance, but the Warrant Shipwright wasn't going to let him get away with it on his own, so he too shot off towards the workshops. The Boatswain strolled away and started whispering and nodding with the Chief Boatswain's Mate. All the others looked wise and seamanlike, and drifted off to their lunch.

The messdecks, of course, by now had the whole story. At first some of the younger ratings were bold enough to say that they'd never heard of a shovewood, they couldn't believe there was such a thing. But this talk came to an ignominious end as one three-badgeman after another spoke of shovewoods they had had, had lost, had mended. They talked of modifications that had come out in the shovewoods of different marks of shovewoods; they recalled dates on which the allowance of shovewoods to Cruisers and Above had been revised; but most of all they told how they, personally, had been congratulated by such and such a Commander on the way they had kept their shovewood . . . "an' 'e says to me, 'e says, I 'aven't seen a polish like that what you've got on that there shovewood, not since I was No. 1 o' the Yacht."

The very next day it was reported to the Captain that the shovewood was ready. A signal was made, the Admiral's barge was seen to leave the flagship, and as he came over the side, there in the waist, just before the quarterdeck, stood the shovewood. It was a fine wooden trough standing on four stout legs painted battleship grey, with gleaming copper hoops over the top and brass capping and corner-plates. Chippy had supplied a teak stand with eyes to take deckbolts, a rubbing-strake of mahogany and a plunger with a handle, also of mahogany, as well as the brasswork on the trough. The E.R.A.s had fitted a brass band round the plunger; and the Boatswain's party had given it a leather capping and a baize grip secured with a couple of turk's heads. They had, further, pointed four eighteen-inch lengths of white manila and fitted them at the corners of the stand by way of fenders. The Gunner's party, off their own bat, had made and supplied two stainless steel rules, one in inches and one in centimetres, which were bolted along the sides of the main trough, where they caused more jealousy and ill-feeling than ever with the Engine-room department, who felt that supplying precision rules was their pigeon. Finally, a canvas cover, complete with hemp lanyards, had been made by the men under No. 11 punishment; and this was folded down on the deck at the head of the noble appliance.

"Aha," said the Admiral, "I see; you wanted to tiddly it up a bit before I saw it: I believe you were sent out here in rather a rush, weren't you? Well, you've made a very fine job of it. Tell me, do you find it useful?"

"Yes, Sir," replied the Captain unblushingly, "very useful."

On the strength of his reply, the Admiral, when he got back to his flagship, made a signal to the squadron: "*Report Number of shovewoods held.*" There was, of course, a nil report; so His Nibs made another signal: "*Technical staffs of all ships are to repair on board* Mombresia *to take measurements and details for shovewoods which are to be constructed by ships' staffs.*"

It was not till after every ship in the 33rd Destroyer Cruiser Squadron could boast a gleaming new shovewood that Nobby, the three-badge storekeeper, reported fit for duty. He was met, as he came over the side, by his relief and straightway haled down to the store.

" 'Ere Nobby, now tell me, will yer, what *is* a bloomin' shovewood?"

"Shovewood? never 'eard of it, ain't no such thing."

'Yes, there is. Look at this 'ere entry in yer own 'andwritin'."

"Good Lord," breathed Nobby, "that ain't shovewood: that's meant to be 'Shovel, wood . . .1' That's a spare we carries for the baker." ■

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I.E.C. Delegate's Report

Owen Jacobson

THIS IS my last but one report. When I report on the I.E.C. meeting to be held in October next year in Adelaide, South Australia, I will have completed my three year term as your delegate to two International Executive Council Meetings and one World Congress. Under a previous set of rules, I have attended an earlier World Congress (in Italy in 1979 — at my own expense) and an I.E.C. Meeting in Antwerp in 1983 (reported in a previous Journal). In Antwerp we joined with our Australian Colleagues in hosting an Australian Evening to publicise next year's I.E.C. Meeting in Adelaide and Friendship Week in this country. The Aberdeen evening was fully reported in Volume 18, No. 4 of this Journal.

I will not be standing for re-election in 1987 for the simple reason that no matter how lofty the sentiment that delegates must obtain experience and credibility in international forums there remains in the minds of grass root members the suspicion that someone is getting "something for nothing". It is impossible to dispel this view no matter how cogent the argument and with this in mind, our National President Brian Walkinshaw has accompanied me as observer to at least two international meetings in order that there is an experienced successor available. In making this comment, I do not intend to pre-empt the voting at the 1987 Annual General Meeting as there are many other members who have attended I.E.C. meetings or World Congresses. Rather, I simply draw attention to the fact that we have provided for an experienced succession. The eventual decision remains with the democratic process in 1987.

I prefaced last year's report in the December 1984 Journal with some general comments about the perspective of the New Zealand Section. In view of subsequent events I invite serious followers of international I.P.A. events to re-read that report and in particular comments I made at pages 35 and 36. Before beginning my report proper, could I remind you that each three years, a special meeting called a World Congress is held in place of what would otherwise be an I.E.C. meeting. World Congresses are significant and important in that among other things, the constitution of the I.P.A. can be changed at such meetings and International Officers are elected for a further three-year term.

The 11th I.P.A. World Congress was significant so far as the New Zealand Section was concerned for reasons other than constitutional ones. I hope you will read on, our delegation takes its role seriously, we spend a certain amount of our funds in attending these conferences, and believe it is important that as many of our members understand why we went, what we did and what measure of success if any we achieved.



The New Zealand delegation, National President Brian Walkinshaw (left) and delegate Owen Jacobson (right).

11th World Congress: Paris, France

16 to 22 June 1985

Present from New Zealand
Owen Jacobson, Delegate
Brian Walkinshaw, Observer

The 11th I.P.A. World Congress took place in Paris, France from 16 to 22 June 1985. This World Congress was most notable in that it was the first occasion delegates' (not observers') fares were paid by the International Treasury. Those of you who are recent members of the New Zealand Section will not know, that this subject was one which the I.P.A. anguished over for many years during the 1970s. Several proposals were floated, one of which suggested membership numbers rather than geographic location should set the level of reimbursement to be made by the International Treasury. Such a proposal had it been successful would have disadvantaged small sections such as New Zealand, and we believe, the organisation as a whole.

Fortunately reason prevailed and a full reimbursement of all delegates' return airfares will be made this year regardless of distance involved. This policy will apply to each World Congress henceforth. From New Zealand's point of view this is a very fair decision which neither penalises us for our small membership nor for our great distance from the majority of international meetings. When account is taken of our constant attendance at these meetings regardless of the considerable cost to individuals or our section I believe the scales have been more than balanced by our participation.

Before leaving the subject of costs, I must advise members once again, that the executive of Air New Zealand has again displayed their good faith and support for our 1986 project by providing a further return ticket Wellington/London and return. This ticket was negotiated for and taken up by Brian Walkinshaw who is Chairman of the Friendship Week Organising Committee. His task in Europe was to assist me at the World Congress which he

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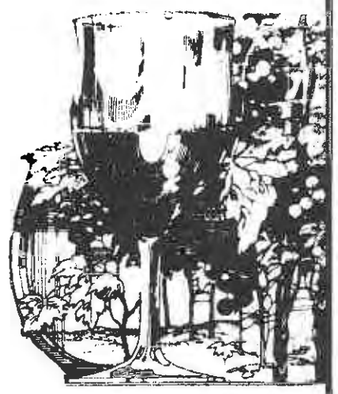

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did most ably, to prepare registration documents and take them and other promotional material to Europe for dissemination and finally to endeavour to bring negotiations with the Berlin Police Orchestra to a successful conclusion.

As alluded to in my opening comments this World Congress posed some special problems for the New Zealand Section. It had been said at last year's I.E.C. meeting in Scotland (or rather, we had interpreted what had been said) as meaning that if we could not extend a welcome to all member sections we could not hold an international event under the auspices of the I.P.A. Our interpretation of comments by the new Labour Government when it came into power last year and since was that a South African contingent seeking to attend our Friendship Week was unlikely to meet with their approval. As this could, in our view, have extended to visa restrictions and embarrassment generally to our colleagues and the government in particular, the subject was fully traversed at the April Auckland N.E.C. meeting. That meeting decided an approach should be made to the Minister of Police or the Prime Minister to obtain a clear statement of the Government's position on the question of South African attendance.

The Paris delegate and observer were given clear directions as to what steps to take in response to each contingency and on 31 May Brian Walkinshaw and I met with the Minister, Mrs Hercus had by this time consulted with Foreign Affairs who in turn had made their own overseas inquiries. We were received most graciously and after traversing the issues the Minister informed us she had consulted with the Prime Minister and Government's position on the question of South African I.P.A. members attending our Friendship Week was that such attendance would be entirely inappropriate. At our request the Government's views were given to us in writing and the contents of this letter have been communicated to the N.E.C.

The second instruction from the N.E.C., was that we should appear before the International Standing Committee in Paris (the P.E.B.) and put our position to them.

On our arrival in Paris, we were received by the P.E.B. who heard our submissions and advised us that they felt we had misinterpreted their comments at last year's meeting. It was their position that National Sections holding *International Executive Council* meetings and *World Congresses* only that were obliged to welcome all National Sections. They further informed us that National Sections holding Friendship Weeks could invite whom they wished. We were surprised at this response in view of what we had taken to be clear statements to the contrary at Renfrew, but when we later spoke with our Australian colleagues found that they shared the P.E.B. interpretation.

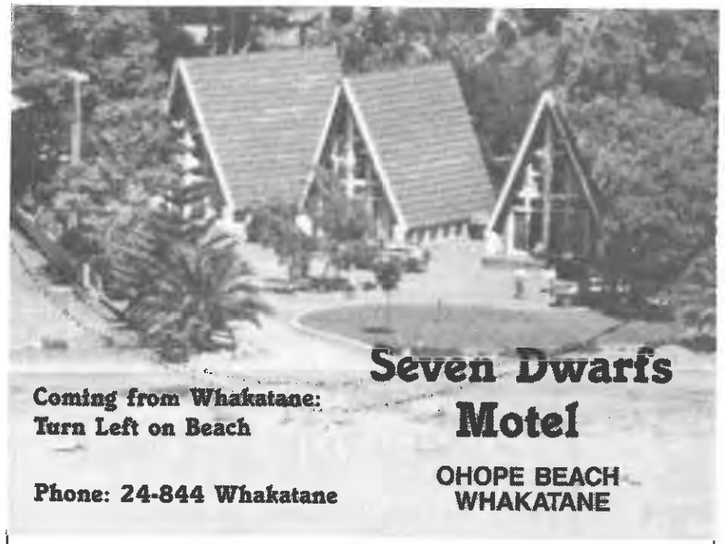
We then had a meeting with the Australian and South African delegations at which we explained our situation and with characteristic good will on both sides reached a satisfactory settlement.



Our motorcycle escort after the first introduction to the phenomenon.



"Would You Insure Him?"



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The opening ceremony inside the Unesco building.

A week later I had cause to reflect on the events at that meeting when I was listening to an Alastair Cooke "Letter from America" on the short wave. He was talking about similar events in American politics and in the course of his letter said that Woodrow Wilson had once said that a resolution involving sensitive issues was always more successful when it was arrived at in private and only the fact that agreement had been reached was promulgated in public.

In the circumstances, we have taken a leaf out of Woodrow Wilson's book and simply report that no South African member will be seeking registration to attend our Friendship Week. Our Minister has been advised and the full circumstances, including our address to the P.E.B. in Paris, will be reported to the New Zealand N.E.C. next month when it meets in Wellington.

Our accommodation in Paris was the Novatel at Bagnolet which is a complex junction of highways on the Paris Ring Road (Periferiqūe) at 3 o'clock if you look at a map of Paris as a clock face. We were intrigued to learn, given what we knew of Parisienne drivers, that the working sessions were to be held in the centre of the city near the Arc de Triomphe. Given the distance involved we couldn't see how the necessary distance could be covered twice each day by three bus loads of delegates through the notorious gauntlet of Paris peak traffic.

The first attempt on Monday morning 17 June took an hour and twenty minutes and served to remind me that everything I recalled from my one attempt to drive in Paris in our new Mercedes seven years earlier was still true for 1985. It was obvious our French hosts had a problem as there just wasn't going to be enough hours in the day to repeat the performance daily and still complete the required working session.

When we entered our buses on day two at the new time of 0745 hours, we noticed two motorcycle policemen nearby on black B.M.W. Specials. Apart from a general glance of appreciation at the hardware we took no further notice until we were underway. Suddenly the snail's pace of the previous day was a thing of the past. Red lights meant nothing, left side of the road, right side of the road, footpaths, centre median strips, speed limits, all were figments of the imagination! The two motorcyclists were members of *des Compangies Motorcyclists de Paris* a section of the Paris Police specialising among other things in V.I.P. traffic escorts.

Paris, as any of you who have attempted to drive in it will know, is something of a special case for the international driver and whereas Paris drivers are only "difficult" in other French cities, they are positively demoniac when on their home ground in Paris itself. They seem to give way to no one and if the jammed intersections begin to frustrate, then footpaths become no place for unwary pedestrians. One concession the Paris driver makes was explained to us however, is that he accepts the significance of Paris as a centre for European politics (or would want to foster that ambition) and by

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convention is prepared to accept one exception to the "give no quarter rule". That exception recognises the need for Paris to retain (or acquire) political pre-eminence special concessions must be made to visiting V.I.P.s to enable them to traverse the city in the course of their business.

The convention it seems only operates on demand of Police Motorcyclists. Although they are issued with side-arms, the weapons most respected appear to be the shaken fist or the whistle which protrudes permanently from the bowels of each crash helmet. In any event, we were treated to an exhibition of driving, or rather low-flying the likes of which none of us had ever experienced before. We also observed a side to the French driver I am sure none of us would have believed possible. The moment the police motorcyclist appeared on the scene, he either stopped in his tracks, or pulled to the side of the road (if that were possible). When the bus finally stopped at the conference venue, our travelling time halfway across Paris had reduced by an incredible 50 minutes to 30 minutes to a spontaneous round of applause from the occupants of each bus.

The second phenomenon which gives an insight into just how remarkable the exhibition had been was that about 70% of the delegates spontaneously approached each rider and shook his hand and expressed as best he could his admiration for the skill the former had displayed. As some of you know I have been a motorcyclist for some 28 years and have some idea of the mortality rate endemic to motorcycling — I can only assume that few Paris motorcyclists make old bones!

By the way, the postscript to this section of my report is that the next morning's trip was reduced to 20 minutes, and the third morning to an incredible 15 minutes!



The Unesco Building from outside (note the Henry Moore sculpture).

The opening of the 11th World Congress was held in the UNESCO Headquarters in Paris. This magnificent building is situated within view of the Eiffel tower and contains a vast concrete amphitheatre. The opening formalities took place to the accompaniment of musical interludes and stirring fanfares provided by sections of the *Musique de la Police Nationale*. (National Police Band.)

UNESCO House (United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organisation) was opened in 1958. The construction was a collaboration of architects from the United States, Italy and France and the building contains frescoes by Picasso (who incidentally was Spanish, and not French) a statue by Henry Moore, a rich collection of ceramic walls, tapestries, paintings, even a Japanese garden by Nogichi. Apart from its towering presence, the building represents a worthy synthesis of mid-20th century art — and on that basis alone is worth a visit when you are in Paris.

The working sessions covered three full days but before I report on them I would like to make some comments about the agenda. You may recall from earlier reports



Assembled delegates for the first working session.

that I have expressed our displeasure at two aspects of the manner in which the agenda has been handled in the past. Renfrew last year was a classic example when we received a draft agenda with insufficient lead-in time to circulate our own executive and obtain directions from them as to how we exercise our vote to best express the New Zealand Section's perspective. As if the late draft agenda wasn't enough, we sat down at the Renfrew conference table only to have that document summarily replaced with an agenda containing several controversial issues which we had had absolutely no notice of nor opportunity to discuss with our national executive.

I was "gently" chided in Paris by one member of the P.E.B. for the comments I have made in this regard in my 1984 article, but the point I made then and which I restate here is that the New Zealand delegation travels half-way around the world to attend these meetings, in the belief that member sections have constitutional significance beyond arriving at the conference venue. We expect to know what issues have been raised for discussion, and more importantly, we expect to have been informed in sufficient time of those issues in order that our own executive can deliberate and instruct.

Despite the criticism of one P.E.B. member many other delegates came to us in Paris and said how much they agreed with our comments. Certainly this year's agenda arrived in sufficient time for N.E.C. members to comment and advise their position, and the agenda at Paris was not amended in any significant respect. That speaks for itself I believe.

At the time of writing this report I have not reported to our N.E.C., so I shall confine remarks on agenda items to those which might be of general interest.

From New Zealand's point of view the portion of the agenda of most interest was remit 21 submitted by the New Zealand Section. The remit came in two parts and was worded as follows:

"That the New Zealand Section of the International Police Association reinforce the social and cultural origin on which our organisation was founded and formally move that the International Police Association totally withdraw from all involvement with the United Nations Organisation."

The second part of the remit was worded identically to the first except that the "Council of Europe" appears in place of the "United Nations Organisation".

Briefly the history behind this remit, is that the New Zealand Section, removed as it is from northern hemisphere regional politics, has always believed the I.P.A. will get itself into serious trouble unless it retains the apolitical basis upon which it was originally formed. While member sections may from time to time need to subtley shift ground depending upon their local political situation (e.g. Paris this year and Rotterdam in 1988) the I.P.A. itself is a *social* and *cultural* organisation only and should keep

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out of politics and confine *professional police exchanges* to its own members.

To give an example of what we mean when we talk about the latter issue of professionalism, contemplate for a moment the response of the Commissioner of Police in New Zealand to reading in an International Newspaper that the New Zealand I.P.A. delegate had given a news conference in Paris on, for example, principles of crowd control at large incidents of street protest.

I have never been able to understand why it is that some of the European Sections of the I.P.A. should be so much in favour of expanding the I.P.A.'s role as a spokesperson on professional police matters at the Council of Europe and United Nations. This year, part of the mystery was possibly solved when one delegation told us that some sections are able to greatly bolster their "membership" by creating in the minds of their employer that the I.P.A. is a quasi-professional organisation.

I have no actual evidence to support this proposition, but imagine for a moment if the New Zealand Police Department accepted a similar role for the I.P.A. in New Zealand. It would not require all that much in the way of approaches during initial training at the Police College for all recruits to make the fortnightly deduction of 40c from their salary that membership entails. Imagine 5,600 members — that would make us one of the biggest sections!

In any event, these comments are simply to provide some context to the reader for the climate in which the New Zealand Section put forward this remit. A more specific reason was that actions by the I.P.A. in the United Nations over the last two years resulted in our Government through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs writing to the Commissioner of Police to find out what we had to do with South Africa. In our view, as our statement in support of the remit discloses, flirtations with political institutions by the International Executive of the I.P.A. can only result in serious trouble in the long run for the Association and its constituent sections.



Palais de Chaillot — Guess what's holding the traffic back?

The following then is a statement I made in Paris in support of Remit 25:

"Resolution 21: Withdrawal from the United Nations and Council of Europe

The Aims and Objectives of the International Police Association are set out in Article 2 of the International Statutes.

The New Zealand Section believes there is nothing in Article 2 which authorises the increasing involvement the I.P.A. is undertaking in both the United Nations and Council of Europe. The New Zealand Section is particularly concerned at the growing tendency for I.P.A. representatives to speak at these forums on professional Police matters.

Last year in Scotland the British Section very steadfastly and efficiently responded to considerable inconvenience as the result of the action of certain interest groups targetting the I.P.A. for their own political purposes. In our view incidents such as this must be accepted as becoming increasingly frequent so long as we continue to involve ourselves in political arenas. It is our contention that the U.N. and United Council of Europe are politically motivated organisations and to continue to have any association with them is to invite the possible downfall of the I.P.A. as we know it.

Even in New Zealand which to many of you must seem to be at the other end of the Earth, the actions of the I.P.A. in seeking promotion within the Committee on Non-Governmental Organisations (CONGO) in New York in May of last year had potentially serious repercussions for our Section. Our own Government through its Ministry of Foreign Affairs follows the deliberations of this Committee and on observing our application made certain enquiries concerning our membership.

These enquiries have resulted in dialogue between us and our Government which could be potentially damaging to our planned International Friendship Week in October of next year. In our submission we would have been in a very much happier situation today had our organisation never achieved prominence, however unwittingly, in the United Nations.

In making these comments the New Zealand Section wishes to assure this Congress that it has nothing but respect for those members who have represented the I.P.A. in these forums from time to time. Our case is based on the inadvisability of continued participation not on the quality of representation.

There is one other aspect of the I.P.A. participation in outside forums which the New Zealand Section would like to address in the context of this resolution. Article 2 provides among other things for "exchanges of professional information". When read in context with the opening statement of Article 2 which includes the words "among its own members" this can only mean a proposition for exchanging professional information *between I.P.A. members.*

In our submission this is entirely in line with the New Zealand position. The I.P.A. does not depend for its existence or for its membership on any **professional** foundation and to the best of our knowledge no constituent members of the I.P.A. come together with any mandate from their employers to speak on **professional** Police matters in any extra-I.P.A. context.

With respect the New Zealand Section does not agree with the comments of the International President who said at paragraph 142 of the Renfrew minutes that the German Section was the largest **professional Police organisation** in that country.

With respect we would submit that the I.P.A. is not a **professional Police organisation** at all, bur rather an **organisation of Police professionals** and there is in our submission a distinct difference between the two.

In the simplest of terms, Mr International President, and again with respect we would say that if members of the I.P.A. wish to "deal with fighting crime and professional issues", we would say, please do so in the work place or through such vehicles as the I.A.C.P. but don't involve the I.P.A.!

Finally I would like to make one further reference to the Renfrew minutes. At paragraphs 301 and 302 the International Secretary General seemed to justify speaking on **professional** Police matters at the Council of Europe because "there was nobody at these bodies talking for *real* police officers". The New Zealand Section neither agrees nor accepts this statement.

The New Zealand Section seeks to remind this Congress that the fact that Civil Servants or Police Unions speak professionally on Police matters at one forum or another should not concern the I.P.A. which must confine itself to those basic aims and objectives as set out in Article 2 of our International Statutes. We must return to the cultural and social ideals on which the I.P.A. was founded and which we consider has been departed from.



Exchange of gifts with the French Section.

On behalf of the New Zealand Section I formally move adoption of this resolution.

Without going into the details, five sections voted in favour of the remit in relation to both the Council of Europe and the United Nations. Nineteen voted against leaving the United Nations and 20 voted against leaving the Council of Europe. Those in support of the New Zealand position tended to be the United States, Canada, Ireland and Sweden.

An interesting remit from Belgium to discontinue I.E.C. meetings in favour of World Congresses each third year on the grounds of expense was lost.

The continuing saga of whether or not to conduct International business in a fourth language (it was originally supposed to be Spanish) took another turn when it was decided that the fourth language(s) can be any which "may be justified by the number of members speaking them".

If you have read previous reports, you will be aware the Spanish delegate had been unhappy that he had had to bring an interpreter with him to meetings when Spanish was named as the fourth I.P.A. language.

An Irish remit to adopt a new membership card based upon credit card format was deferred until the next I.E.C. for a report.

Various other matters covered by the agenda I would prefer to report to our own N.E.C.

Generally, the 11th World Congress was conducted in a spirit of good will and a controversial agenda was covered more expeditiously and with less acrimony than one might have anticipated given a knowledge of the background to the issues. The French were friendly and hospitable, Paris beautiful and clean and my memories of the Congress are positive ones.

Before leaving the Congress finally, I would refer to the election of officers which can only take place at Congresses. The following sets out the previous office holder on the left and the new incumbent on the right:

International President:
J. Klos, West Germany; J. Klos, West Germany.

1st Vice President:
S. Epstein, Israel; R. Stragner, Sweden

2nd Vice President:
R. Stragner, Sweden; P. Nolan, Ireland

3rd Vice President:
P. Nolan, Ireland; Dr E. Mariani, Italy

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If there was a bombshell amongst the election of officers, it was the loss of Hugh Hallet as International Secretary-General after something in the vicinity of seventeen years of the role. The vote was 17/15 and Hugh had this section's support as he must after so many years of loyal effort on behalf of the I.P.A. But if there was a lesson to be learned from Hugh's defeat it was twofold. Firstly, it is a characteristic of dedicated people that they can in time lose sight of the contrary view or the resurgence of new philosophies or a restatement of basic philosophies. Secondly, there is always that strategic question of when one must step down from a position long held. The latter is a matter of judgement the best means of assessing which being to keep an ear to the "ground" so to speak and never becoming sufficiently isolated from the grass roots to miss warning signs when they abound.

From the I.P.A.'s point of view, the loss of both Hugh and Salo Epstein will be deeply felt and it is to be hoped that both will continue to contribute and remain involved in both International and at local level. Hugh reverts automatically to British delegate and lost no time in indicating to the Congress that his presence will be keenly felt from the conference floor. We applaud active delegates, as there are all too few of them and can only hope that Hugh's participation is a lasting and positive contribution to coming meetings at international level.

Overall, my comment on the 11th World Congress would be to express surprise at the extent to which the larger European Sections are adopting a more assertive role in I.P.A. affairs. My advice to them would be not to seek to assume greater status and a louder voice in the I.P.A. on the basis of *membership* figures or *geographic location* alone. The I.P.A. is an international confederation of *equal* members all of whom are entitled to an equal *voice* in association affairs. I could not help feeling this year that one or two European voices were beginning to assume a more important air and while I can appreciate that some sections are more active than others and others perceive they are making a more significant contribution to the affairs of the I.P.A. none of us should lose sight of the fact that the I.P.A. and its international body exists for its individual members. The international body meets to pursue and enhance the essential ideals upon which the I.P.A. is based and we must be vigilant to ensure that the trust placed in International Office holders to adhere to philosophy is not misplaced by excessive dedication or the myopia of decision-making based on national rather than global considerations ■

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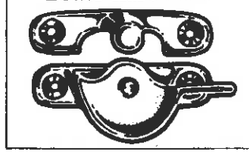



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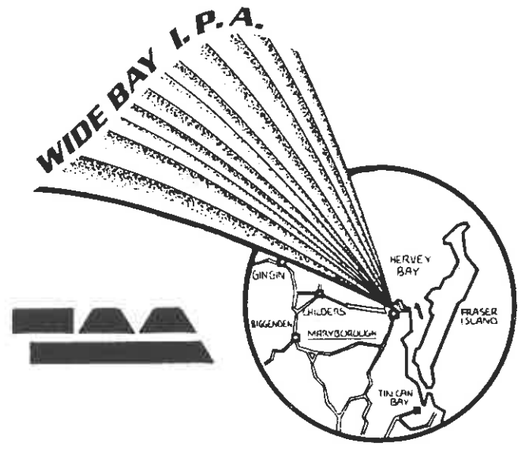

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MONDAY, 14th October, 1985
Commencement of Hospitality Week.
Free Night.

TUESDAY, 15th October, 1985
Coach to Maryborough.
Pistol Shooting Competition.

WEDNESDAY, 16th October, 1985
Coach Tour of Bundaberg District.
Visit to Distillery, Sugar Mills, Historic Hinkler House and other points of interest.

THURSDAY, 17th October, 1985
Fishing Cruise on Hervey Bay.

FRIDAY, 18th October, 1985
Registration /Reception.
House of Friendship open at Melanesia Village to welcome all attending the Convention.
5.00 p.m. Civic Reception at Melanesia by the Mayor of Hervey Bay.
Welcome barbecue at Melanesia.

SATURDAY, 19th October, 1985
8.30 a.m. Annual General Meeting.
10.30 a.m. National Executive Meeting commences.
12.30 p.m. Lunch at Melanesia Village.
1.30 p.m. National Executive Meeting resumes.

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7.00 p.m. Convention Banquet at Melanesia Village.

SUNDAY, 21st October, 1985
8.00 p.m. Cruise to Fraser Island aboard the MV Islander. 4-wheel bus tour of Fraser Island includes BBQ lunch.
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SUNDAY, 5th October, 1986.
Registration of guest.
Visits to: Museum; Art Gallery; Constitution Museum; Botanical Gardens; Zoo, Etc.
Evening — Informal social gathering.

MONDAY, 6th October, 1986.
A.M. — Trip to Wellington to view Gold Escort Re-enactment.
Afternoon — Official Opening of I.E.C. Meeting and Civic reception.
Evening — City lights and informal social gathering (Uniforms required).

TUESDAY, 7th October, 1986.
Trip to Victor Harbour.
Evening — Visits to various Ethnic Communities for informal social gathering.

WEDNESDAY, 8th October, 1986.
National Trust Tour, or visit to National Parks to view Australian Flora and Fauna.
1300 hrs — Parade down main street of city in conjunction with the arrival of the Gold Escort into Adelaide. (Uniforms to be worn). Evening — Police Tattoo. (Uniforms to be worn).

THURSDAY, 9th October, 1986.
Visit to the Barossa Valley.
Evening — Informal Social evening.

FRIDAY, 10th October, 1986.
A.M. — Visit to Fort Largs (Police Academy) and Fort Glanville for Wreath laying ceremony. (Uniforms required).
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Golfing Corner

By Marilyn Stobie

IT'S JULY as I write this column, and I wonder why we bother to play the sport of Golf? It seems to be an endless round of either demonstrators or shocking weather which prevents our enjoyment on the lush fairways. I, for one, am beginning to wonder what a golf club is and tremble at the thought of actually hitting a ball off the tee!! Hopefully August and September will show some improvement in the weather and just, maybe, the demonstrators will take a holiday. If so, then it will be off to the greens and total bliss.

There is a great programme arranged for us golfers and I will take this opportunity to give you fair warning.

South Island Golf Champs

This year the South Island Police Golf Champs are to be held at the Kaiata Golf Course in Greymouth. The dates are 3rd to 5th November, 1985. As is normal, the 3rd November is a free round and practice day starting at 1300 hours. That evening will be a get-together, light supper and a drawing of the Calcutta. Heaps of fun, believe me! Then the following two days will be four arduous rounds of golf finishing up with a buffet dinner and prize-giving. Entries will be limited to 120 and naturally first in, first served. If you wish to participate in this tournament, please contact J. Sinclair, P.O. Box 368, Greymouth.

North Island Golf Champs

Last tourney was held at Mt Maunganui and now it is the turn of Hamilton. The approximate time will be late February but you will appreciate the tourney is still in the planning stages. It will be as the South Island Champs, with a free round on the Sunday and then into four gruelling rounds over two days. I can't tell you much more in this issue but should have confirmed dates and times ready to print for the next. Some of us have already marked our calenders, so why don't you.

So there we go . . . two big tournaments to prepare for and they are well worth joining in.

I was hunting through some magazines the other day and came across some funny terms for clubs. I decided to make some enquiries and came up with a list of old fashion terms for a set of clubs. This is what my enquiries revealed and I do hope I have got them right . . .

WOODS
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8.	Niblick
9.	Lofting niblick
Wedge.	Wedge
Sand Wedge.	Sand Wedge
Putter.	Putter (positive guess)

So there you are, old fashion terms for a set of clubs and even now, you can sometimes see the terms on modern clubs for sale in the pro shops. I like the term of mashie!! Suits my golf as I either mash the turf or mash the ball, neither of which has a happy result.

Here is an interesting if not mind-boggling fact. America has more golf courses than the rest of the world combined, as well as more golfers. In 1983 the National Golf Foundation calculated there were 113,013 courses in America and there are 17,600,000 who play the game. No wonder Americans figure in every major tournament. I hate to think of the pre-booking problems and I suppose there are many disappointed people who can't get on the course for days.

Fame

Probably like many of the readers, I have been watching the British Open and enjoying the golf. It makes one envious of the ease in which they execute the strokes but it also makes one mad, because we can't do the same. We also come to know the golf identities and become familiar with their names but this little story made me wonder: apart from golfers, who really knows??

Two teenage girls watching the practice rounds at the Memorial, were puzzled when the packed gallery burst into applause at the approach of a muscular, grey haired golfer.

"Who's that," one asked the other. Fortunately the Northeastern Ohio representative was on hand to explain.

"That's *Palmer*," he said.

"Who's *Palmer*," they asked.

"You know, *Palmer*, Arnold *Palmer*. The King of Golf."

Still no recognition.

"Well," said the representative, trying to put it in their frame of reference," he is to us, what *Michael Jackson* is to you."

"Oooh," they cried, "is he that good."

One wonders what they were doing on the golf course in the first place?

O.K. golfers that's about it for this issue. Do hope you are hitting those balls well and don't forget to practice for the forthcoming North and South Island Champs. *Good golfing to all.* ■

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Be careful out there

By P.R.E.

IT HAS long been accepted practice that Police personnel respond to major fires and chemical incidents.

Their principal role in these situations is to control and evacuate persons who are or may become endangered from any cause.

Modern technology has meant that even a relatively small factory fire has the potential to become a major disaster depending firstly on the types of chemicals and processes used/stored on the premises and secondly as a result of chemicals which may be created by the fire.

In the majority of cases chemists and technical officers have no previous experience to base assessment upon as chemicals which were never meant to be combined are merged under conditions of extremes of heat and pressure.

Scientific models are unable to accurately recreate conditions which may have existed inside a fire scene.

There have been three major chemical incidents in Auckland in recent years. The first was the Parnell Fumes Disaster which later became the focus of a Commission of Enquiry. Many recommendations were made as a result of that enquiry and some have been implemented.

The second was the Revertex fire. This was another potential disaster as large quantities of volatile and toxic chemicals were combined under extreme conditions. As far as is known none of the personnel attending have suffered any long term after-effects.

The I.C.I. fire of 21 December 1984 was a major fire at a plant which was known to contain toxic chemicals.

The first call was received at 1645 hours and was closely followed by multiple calls from persons in the immediate vicinity. Four fire appliances were immediately despatched. At 1651 the first responding appliance advised the Control Room that the premises were well involved in fire and further appliances were called for.

At 1655 hours it was established that a large quantity of chlorine gas cylinders were stored on the site and further fire appliances were called for.

At 2311 hours personnel were removed from the immediate area as later information indicated that chemicals, namely paraquat and diaquat could be affecting personnel.

Police involvement in this incident began shortly after the initial call and was in six areas of operation; 1. Special operations room established; 2. Bowden Road evacuation carried out; 3. Otahuhu residential evacuation assessment; 4. Westfield/Mt Wellington residential evacuation assessment; 5. Panmure School as evacuation reception for northern area if necessary; 6. McCauley High School as reception centre for the south if necessary.

Fifteen Police personnel were involved in the Bowden Road evacuation and several premises were difficult to empty due to pre-Christmas parties.

Twelve of the Police party subsequently reported skin irritations as a result of attendance at the incident.

All Fire Service personnel attending this incident were wearing usual firefighting uniform and those operating in forward areas wore either breathing apparatus or chemical exposure suits. The Police personnel wore usual daily Police uniform which in this instance would have afforded the same degree of protection as ordinary street clothing — none.

As Policemen throughout the world we will always be called upon to assist other emergency services by evacuation and control of members of the public at the scenes of major fires/chemical incidents/natural disasters.

Police personnel should be mindful that although we are expected to undertake this function we should not be expected to put ourselves needlessly at risk. If other personnel are using special equipment/protective clothing for their own safety then we should be aware of the potential hazard to ourselves.

At the time of writing this article both Fire Service and Police personnel are still suffering after-effects of the I.C.I. fire. It has not been positively determined what the long term effects will be and tests are still being conducted overseas.

Modern technology is a fact of life and we all daily reap the benefits of science discoveries in many areas. We should however be aware that there is a cost. The advances that have been made do not always proceed in an orderly fashion and chemicals or processes may be developed with advantages to industry before the potential risks are either understood or adequately controlled.

It is hoped that the increasing awareness of chemicals and technology will motivate those responsible for public safety to ensure that adequate safeguards are set and maintained.

In the meantime the comment by the Roll Call Sergeant from the TV show Hill Street Blues to "Be careful out there" acquires a new meaning and importance. ■

MORE Real Dogs!!

It had to happen! This photograph turned up on my desk taken by Joanne (Nick's lovely lady) of *other* I.P.A. members with "Real Dogs". I think this is about it, though, so promise, no more Real Dogs!

Carole



Left to right
Molly Measor (Lower Hutt) with NZ/Aust Ch. Al-Yaman Chaadim
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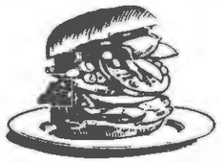

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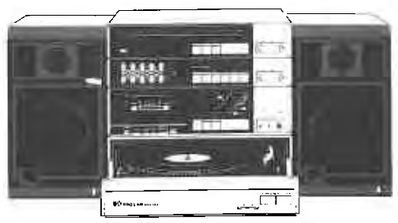

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The Rise and Fall of the First New Zealand Police Superannuation Scheme

Part 1

This article has been contributed by Police historian Richard Hill of Wellington, and is topical to the new Superannuation Fund applied to the Police this year. Members should find it interesting from this viewpoint alone.

"Nasty, Brutish and Short"

From the pakeha accession of sovereignty over New Zealand the policing occupation fitted the description "nasty, brutish and short" — short in the sense that very few men in nineteenth century New Zealand made a career of it. In some of the small police forces of the era a person who had been a policeman for a year could be looked upon as an "old hand". The reasons for the phenomenon of ephemerality in the decentralised police operations that existed in the colony were many, not the least important among them being a remuneration so low as to frequently fall below that of the day labourer.

Also important was the lack of any incentive to stay for any length of time in a force: policing life held out dangers of physical disability and of premature ageing from the rigours of beat life, and there was no mandatory compensation when the constable (i.e. any holder of the ancient common law office of constable) was discharged as no longer fit to serve. To be sure, in such circumstances, some form of lump-sum payment would frequently be awarded but the amount was usually small — and certainly not granted as of right. Almost from the beginning constables submitted requests for a better deal.

In the various provincial, sub-provincial and supra-provincial forces which networked New Zealand before 1877 efforts to make pay and conditions more attractive seldom took the question of pensions beyond requests to regularise and improve the informal lump-sum arrangements already extant in cases of dismissal for age or infirmity. Most of the pressure came from lower-level constables, sometimes with the backing of their superiors and sometimes with utilisation of outside support.

The famous Commissioner St John Branigan of Otago's Armed Police Force actively fought for adequate compensation for honourably discharged men; when reform was in the air for Sergeant-Major S.S. Styles' Wellington provincial force in 1857 a former private of police advocated pensions for men disabled in the course of duty and for those who had served for 15 or 20 years. Such submissions were fruitless; the provincial governments already spent a sizeable proportion of their revenues on the policing function, and none of them felt inclined to further deplete their (usually low) treasuries.

With the amalgamation of the variegated pakeha police forces the Armed Constabulary in 1877, officers in charge of districts petitioned the Commissioner for the provision for gratuities and allowances to be awarded to any constables who had become 'worn out' or incapacitated, and Superintendent R.C. Shearman (in charge of the North Island police) declared that this would be the most critical step that could be taken in establishing a career structure in the colonial police.

Time, however, was not right. The long depression which was to dominate the 1880s was setting in, so that even an 1880 Police Pensions Bill drafted by Commissioner Whitmore which did no more than provide for a government contribution equalling stiff superannuation deductions from constables' pay was to be still-born, being decisively rejected by Cabinet on grounds of the financial state of the colony. The only concession to the men in the first half of the decade of the long depression was in 1883 when the shilling per day long-service pay inherited from provincial days by police serving in Otago was extended to eligible police throughout the colony, a move later interpreted by the Liberal government as an allowance in lieu of pensions. But the inexorable logic of the colonial economy was to force that government, in the end, into action.

For the depression, which continued well into the '90s, forced constables to stay on in the steady (albeit ill-rewarded) occupation of policing, and the average age of the constable therefore crept ever upwards — a factor deemed to be unhealthy in any police force.

The N.Z. Police Force

The first time there was a statutory recognition of pensions for out-of-action policemen came when, from 1 September 1886, the military and policing wings of the Constabulary were formally split by act of parliament, under section 15 of the Police Force Act. Yet even this was on a permissive rather than a compulsory basis: the Governor was enabled to pay out to constables "compensation for wounds or severe injuries received in the performance of their duty, or as an allowance to such of them as shall be disabled by bodily injury received, or shall be worn out by length of service".

Payment of a "compassionate allowance" under this clause became virtually automatic before long, and it standardised at a month's pay for each year's service up to a total of 12 years; later it became customary to pay out only the 12 months' salary-equivalent, so that only men who had completed 12 years' service received any financial aid upon discharge. This lump-sum compensation was not only neither guaranteed nor generous, it did not apply to men who were dismissed through being found wanting or who resigned of their own accord. Since it applied only to those incapable of working any longer, it did not act as a disincentive for older (relatively) *fit* men to stay on in the force.

In a clumsy attempt to resolve the problem of non-retirement, the Government had decreed in Police Regulation 10, formulated under the Act, that members were compulsorily to retire at 60 (65 for commissioned officers). The reaction was one of outrage amongst the men: how could they earn a living after devoting many years of their lives to the police force? Those with trades had left them far behind; those from

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labouring backgrounds were too ground down by the hardships of policing to be able to return to such an occupation at the age of 60.

In noting such reactions, Commissioner W.E. Gudgeon recorded "a very general feeling in the force" that a Superannuation Fund should be created to enable the men to retire at the age of 60 with some degree of security.

The head of the police however did not, since "so many of the men are middle aged" already and given the context of continued constraints upon government expenditure, believe that such a fund was currently viable. He recommended instead that new recruits be obliged, and serving men encouraged, to take out life insurance so that an at least smallish sum of money would fall due to them at age 60; or alternatively that new enrollees should compulsorily insure with the Government Insurance Office to receive at least 300 pounds upon death or attainment of the age of 60.

The government confirmed that no funds were available for a subsidised force, though it did move to quieten the growing discontent by cancelling, in February 1888, Regulation 10; in the process however it ignored Gudgeon's submission that a compulsory retiring age of 65 should be substituted therein for all men in order to provide some guarantees of efficiency. The ministers wanted a relatively quiescent police rather than a more efficacious one.

With signs of better economic times ahead by the late 1880s, Commissioners Gudgeon and (from the date of his appointment, 1 July 1890) Hume began to respond to the ever-present pressure of their ranks and propose revived police pension schemes, stressing to the government the urgency for instituting a proper career structure in the force. Because the depression had made policing a less unattractive occupation than it had been before, men were hanging on in a fashion unprecedented in the colony's history.

This was particularly so if they had gained NCO status; whereas in gold-rush Otago in the early 1860s a competent constable might have become a sergeant within 30 days of recruitment, three decades later it might take 30 years before a "good man" could aspire to becoming an NCO, while the handful of commissioned officers comprised virtually a closed shop. The older police, not willing to brave the Social Darwinist world of a depressed colonial economy in pre-welfarist days, stayed on in the force.

Commissioner Suggests State Subsidised Scheme

Hume suggested a state-subsidised scheme under which those men currently earning extra daily pay for long service (an extra shilling after 10 years, 6d after five) would lose that privilege and members of the force would forfeit the terminating current lump-sum "compassionate allowance"; the money thus saved was to be invested by the government in insurance, and from it a pension awarded at the age of 65, either in the form of a lump sum or about a pound a week in income. When the idea was mooted to the police members however they were not prepared, in view of their very low wage structure, to sacrifice their long-service allowance.



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Clearly, the constables would be in no position to be the major funders of their own pension fund, so government subsidising on a major scale would be inevitable for any such scheme to even look to be viable. The reformist Liberal government of the 1890's had other spending priorities.

Although it was acutely aware of the problem of police morale and efficiency, when it began in 1892 to draft various schemes — on which "the members of the Force look with great dubiety" — it could not escape the need for a major state expenditure.

That year the Member of the House of Representatives for Dunedin City, William Hutchison, drafted a superannuation scheme which was endorsed by gatherings of constables in the two major South Island centres. It borrowed from the 1880 scheme in requiring a five percent contribution from each member's pay, but advocated a sound financial basis by positing a capital government grant of some size, say around 20,000 pounds; the Fund would also accumulate by receipt of all moneys currently paid into the Police Reward Fund, together with those proportions of fines ordered by the courts to be paid to policemen.

After 20 years' service, 30% of a policeman's salary at resignation would be paid out as a pension, 40% after 25 years, 50% after 30 years; or alternatively a lump sum would be paid, comprising a month's salary for each year of service for those of 15 years' service or over (with refunds of their superannuation contributions for those resigning after five but under 15 years); together with discretionary payments in cases of injury received in the course of duty.

The government laughed the scheme out of the arena of practical politics, noting that the capital sum required was additional to the current 6,000 pounds spent on long-service pay. "In no other of the Australasian Colonies," Hutchison protested, "are the Police left without permanent provision on retirement from active service . . ."

A government alternative, to allow constables to join an "ungenerous" scheme embodied in the draft Civil Service Bill, was in turn rejected by the men and an impasse ensued. In mid 1893 Commissioner Hume acknowledged that the "absence of any provision for retirement through old age or physical incapacity is a serious embarrassment to the administration of the Force".

In acquiescing in the government's stance, however, he officially acknowledged for the first time that the political executive was apprehensive about establishing an expensive precedent which other state servants might attempt to emulate: "owing to the advanced age of the majority of the present members of the police any scheme that would commend itself must necessarily be established by so large a grant from Parliament as to place it absolutely beyond possibility of ever becoming a practical reality, especially as no superannuation scheme is general throughout the Civil Service of the colony, and therefore it is considered one branch could not be exceptionally treated in this respect."

Life Insurance Required

The government's way of attempting painlessly to solve the problem in the long term was that same year to dig out Gudgeon's proposal and alter it to make it compulsory for all new enrollees to take out private life insurance which would provide 200 pounds upon death or reaching the age of 60. Young men joining up resented this mandatory levy upon their already very low wages, and now joined forces with the demands of the older men for a state-aided superannuation scheme. This agitation intensified after the membership heard of the granting of pension provisions for police forces in other colonies, giving greater urgency to the state's quest for a cheap solution to the short-term and medium-term problems of police career structure and therefore of police efficiency.

This pressure from the rank and file dovetailed with increasing concern at the top of the police hierarchy. "One great disadvantage the Force labours under, and it becomes more apparent every year, and requires no inquiry to find out," lamented Hume, "is that many of the sergeants and some of the constables have passed the age of activity required to fill the positions."

The Commissioner, whose substantive duty was the overseeing of the colony's

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carceral system and who had possessed no policing experience at the time of his appointment as head of police, was out of his depth. As the internal problems of the New Zealand police surfaced to public view to an alarming degree, the government decided to jettison him in favour of a senior British police officer: in October 1897 former Scotland Yard policeman J.B. Tunbridge took over the New Zealand police, whose strength then totalled 541 all ranks. Furthermore, the decision to appoint had been overtaken by such a high degree of public concern over the state of the police force that the government had decided that a Royal Commission of Enquiry was the only viable way to proceed.

1898 Royal Commission

At a series of well-publicised meetings around the country in 1898, policemen aired their grievances before the Royal Commissioners (and the new Commissioner of Police). In light of the evidence presented, the findings of the Commission on the question of police superannuation could do none other than recommend a government-assisted police pension system. The men, it pointed out, approved of neither the compulsory insurance system nor the usual practice upon retirement on grounds of age, infirmity etc., of the compassionate allowance under section 15 of the Police Force Act. The current practices, it perceived, were far from conducive to efficiency. The head of the Commission, H.S. Wardell, had himself once exercised direct control of constables as a Resident Magistrate in the 1860s, and he had quickly grasped the matters at issue.

"The Police Force differs from other branches of the public service. Policemen for many years have to do dreary night duty, and it appears from the evidence that, although they are generally men of superior physical development, there is a tendency to break down at an age at which other Government employees are still vigorous. Their occupation exposes them to great risks of injury and disablement. The duty of a policeman appears to unfit him for any other kind of work, and he must retire at a comparatively early age if the Force is to be an efficient one. For these reasons, we strongly recommend the establishment of a Police pension system, such as exists in connection with the Police Force of other colonies."

Aware that "public opinion" might well be averse to singling out the police for special treatment, the Commission's suggested scheme involved no capital payment by the state beyond a sum amounting to that "which would become payable to the present members of the Force as compassionate allowance under the present system". However, if the sum in the pension fund were to fall short of that accumulated from pay deductions (at 5%) and other sources (e.g. fines on policemen, or contributions from other departments "for which the police do work") then it was recognised that the state would have to meet any annual shortfall. Any policeman becoming certified as permanently unfit for duty would receive a lump-sum allowance of a current month's pay if he had served between five and fifteen years; had he served for 15 years he would be given a pension of fifteen-fiftieths of his recent annual average salary; those who had served more than 15 years were to be given an additional one-fiftieth for each extra year's service, with a cut-off at the thirtieth year (three-fifths of salary). If permanent disablement occurred in the execution of duty the man would receive a pension, at the Commissioner's discretion, of between fifteen-fiftieths and three-fifths of his pay. Men sacked, or voluntarily retiring before the proposed retirement age of 55, would receive nothing.

The Commission estimated that a 10 year saving of nearly 30,000 pounds would be effected as a result of the state not having to pay out under its present system of allowances under section 15. A state grant of this amount, coupled with income from the other suggested sources, would be adequate to cover pensions even though the force contained a disproportionate number of older men: 26 over 55 years old, 12 over 60, 5 over 65 and one over 70. Adoption of this and other recommendations "must be incurred if the colony desires to have a police service characterized by vitality and earnestness, as opposed to one in which the duties are performed in a perfunctory manner, without heart or enthusiasm. That there is a great deal of discontent, dissatisfaction, and apathy in the Force there can be no doubt. Life and energy must be infused into it . . ."

These comments, and the recommended pension scheme, had the strong endorsement of the new Commissioner. Indeed, earlier in the month that the report was produced — July 1898 — Tunbridge had in his first annual report to his minister repeated the gist of a pension scheme which he had proposed to the Commission and which differed little from that of the Royal Commissioners except insofar as it demanded the lesser sum of 4% in contributions from the men. The annual report put the matter into perspective: even the proposed pension structures were "not nearly so liberal" as those found in many other forces, and in effect the "men would very largely provide their own pension fund". The rank and file, however, had indicated their willingness to accept this situation as the best possible deal in the circumstances, he noted.

Scheme Approved in Principle

The Seddon ministry, with its eye on both public opinion and policing cost-efficiency, accepted that a superannuation scheme was indeed in principle desirable. But, despite the pressure upon it to implement this key recommendation of the Royal Commission, the government declined to implement such a proposal lest other sectors of the public service regard it as a precedent upon which to hinge similar demands: although the state input would be relatively small, aggregated across a number of departments it would amount to a sizeable sum. With its eye on the public purse the government declined even to accept a fall-back position, mooted by the Commission, on the basis of the prevalent system in the prison service whereby the compassionate allowance paid to men dismissed for being too old or unfit provided a month's pay for each year of service. Tunbridge protested vigorously at the government's attitude.

How could he revitalise New Zealand policing when the continued want of a pension "naturally mitigates against the Force becoming an efficient body"? In light of the government's stance he now accepted the Royal Commission's proposal for 5% pay deductions, and suggested a "compromise" with which the ministry might feel comfortable: the pension fund would accumulate for two years before the scheme began.

In attesting that the proposed "retiring fund" was almost unanimously supported by the membership, a sentiment backed by the Inspector in charge of the largest district, he submitted that "it is an injustice to deny them what they are themselves prepared to pay for". He snorted at the argument that a police pension fund would be seen as a precedent for "civil servants", for "there is no comparison whatever between the two bodies".

Other state servants were "not prevented from augmenting their incomes by private means, and run no risk of bodily injury"; they worked in "comfortable offices" and had plenty of time off. "On the other hand, the policeman has to perform at least eight hours' duty in the streets in all weathers, night and day, Sunday, weekday, and holiday; he is always liable to injury to life and limb at the hands of drunken, violent, and insane persons or criminals; he has to devote the whole of his time to the service, and his wife is not permitted to conduct any business." Commissioner Tunbridge presented the government with a model "Police Provident Fund Enabling Bill": under it the pension would be administered by a Board comprising himself and the Secretary of the Treasury and headed by the Minister in charge of the Police.

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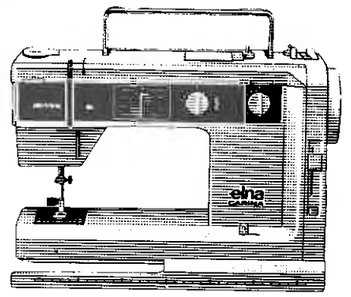

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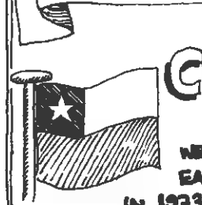

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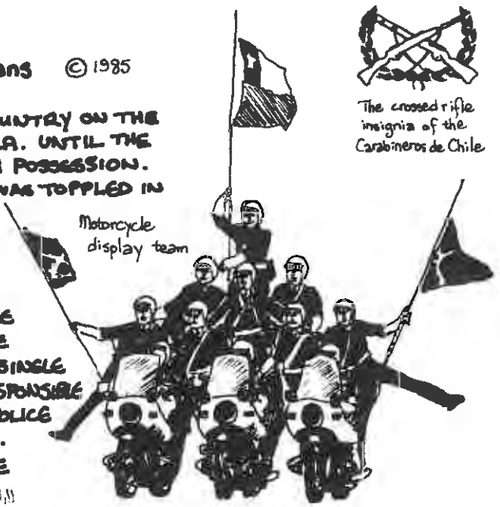

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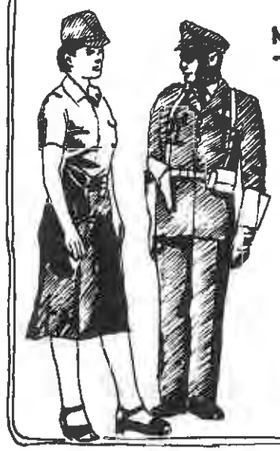

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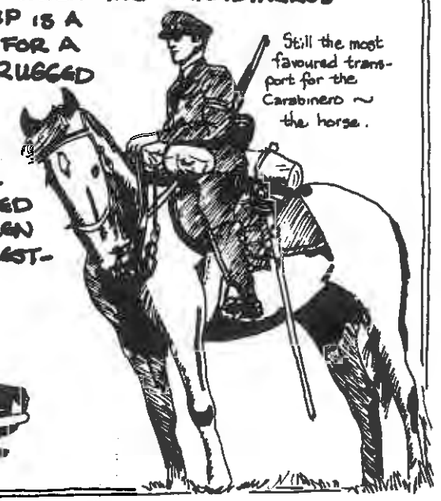

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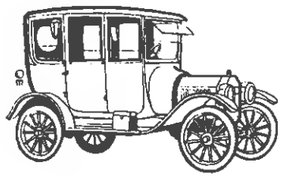
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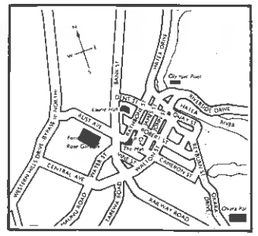
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Some people remember 1963 as the year of President Kennedy's assassination; others recall it as the year of the Profumo scandal. I shall always remember it for one event in which I was personally involved: the investigation of the Great Train Robbery.

Millions of words have been written about the robbery and the robbers, yet the crucial contribution to the investigation made by fingerprint evidence has been largely overlooked. My part in collecting that evidence began on the afternoon of August 8, 1963, when a fingerprint examination of the hijacked train was ordered. But any account of the case should begin a bit earlier . . .

At 6.15pm on August 7, 1963, the Royal Mail train left Glasgow on the nightly run to London. En route it stopped at various stations to pick up ordinary and registered mail. It pulled out of Rugby, the last stop before London, at 2.17am.

The train had 12 coaches: a baggage van at the front, 10 coaches carrying ordinary mail, and a high-value packet coach holding 128 mail bags containing money from banks in Scotland, Wales and northern England. The 10 coaches had a communicating corridor throughout, but there was no access from them into the packet coach. The whole train was pulled by a diesel engine driven by Jack Mills, who, with his fireman, David Whitby, had taken over at Crewe at 12.30am.

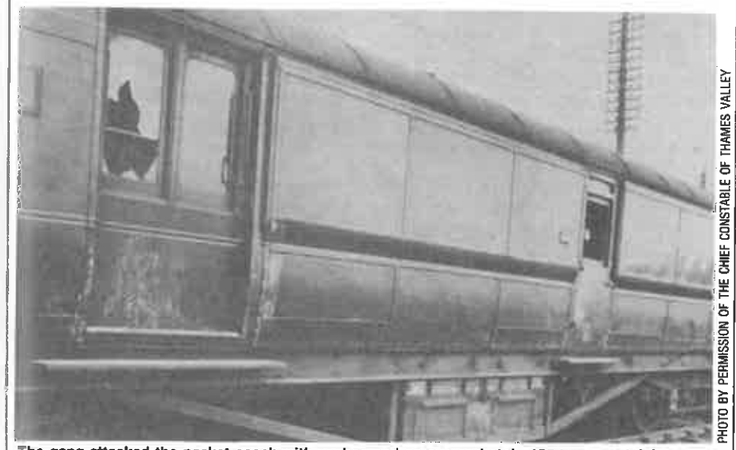
Two-and-a-half hours later, as the train, travelling at 70mph, approached Sears Crossing, Mills was vaguely surprised to see the distant signal was showing amber. He reduced speed in anticipation that the next signal would show red. It did. As he brought the train to a halt, he noticed the next signal down the line was showing green. Thinking there might be a signalling fault, he asked Whitby to phone from the signal gantry and query the red signal with the signalman.

Whitby went to the phone, but it was dead. He was returning to the train when he was seized by two men dressed in boiler suits and balaclavas. They brought him back to the train, where he saw Mills bleeding from a head wound, surrounded by other masked men. Both Mills and Whitby were pushed into a passageway behind the driver's cabin and handcuffed.

While this was happening other members of the gang disconnected the rear 10 coaches from the front two. Shortly after, Mills was brought back into the cabin and ordered to drive forward. He had little alternative but to comply. He was told to stop about a half-a-mile further down the track at Bridego road bridge at a point marked with a piece of white material stretched across the track. There, he and Whitby were taken from the train, handcuffed again and told to lie face down on the embankment.

The gang then attacked the packet coach with coshes and an axe, overcame postal workers sorting mail inside it and made them lie on the floor. The robbers formed themselves into a human chain and passed the mailbags from the coach, down the embankment to vehicles waiting alongside the road below. In this way, 120 bags holding 630 packets containing 2,500,000 pounds were stolen. The driver and his fireman were then pushed into the coach with the postal workers and ordered not to make a sound for half-an-hour.

Less than a mile back up the track, the guard, Mr Miller, puzzled by the long delay, eventually left his compartment and walked towards the diesel unit, only to discover it was missing, with the two front coaches. He, like Whitby, found he could not use the telephone. Realising the vulnerability of the 10 remaining coaches, he wisely placed detonators on the track to their rear and then set out to walk to Cheddington station. On the way he came across the hijacked front portion of the train. By good fortune he was able to stop another train, which took him to Cheddington station. There, at 4.15am, he raised the alarm, starting one of the most intensive manhunts seen up to that time.



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The priority was to get Mills to hospital in Aylesbury, where he needed 17 stitches in his head. While this was being attended to, messages had been sent to all police in the county and all the surrounding forces. Roadblocks were set up on the various exit routes from the area.

When police searched the embankment at Bridego Bridge, they found the white marker, a mailbag, a pickaxe handle, some crowbars and a railwayman's cap. It was later established that the latter items had been stolen from a gangers' hut.

Realising the size and scope of the crime committed in his county, the chief constable of Buckinghamshire, Brigadier John Cheney, after a discussion with his head of CID, D/Supt Malcolm Fewtrell, asked for the Yard's help. Later that afternoon a police conference was held in London.

From the skill and cunning with which the operation had been carried out, there was little doubt that the robbers were London criminals. Nor was there any doubt that they had a hideout near the scene. Such an experienced team would know that roadblocks would have been set up once the police knew of the crime and that the most time they would have before the alarm was raised was about 30 minutes — and 30 minutes was not very much time in which to carry off about two tons of mail.

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When a fingerprint examination was requested, D/Chief Supt John Godsell, head of the Yard's fingerprint department, directed D/Supt Maurice Ray, D/Insp John Chaffe and myself to handle it. Our examination of the train and signals failed to produce anything useful, so we returned to the Yard to await developments. We did not have to wait long.

Three separate rewards for information, totalling 260,000 pounds, were announced. The police in London and Aylesbury were inundated with calls. One, received by police at Aylesbury, was made by John Maris, a 33-year-old herdsman, who lived at Oakley, 20 miles from the scene of the crime.

Maris had become suspicious of a number of people who had been to and from a place named Leatherslade Farm during the few days immediately before the robbery and after. He had walked up the dirt track, which was about a quarter-of-a-mile long, and had seen a number of vehicles parked there. On August 13 he told the local policeman at Brill, PC Woolley, of his suspicions and together they made a closer examination of the farm, which at that time was unoccupied. Woolley got into the farmhouse and in the cellar found mailbags and bank wrappers. Shortly after, a number of policemen arrived and threw a cordon around the main farm buildings. Shortly after lunch, we loaded our equipment into our transport and with our photographer, Ken Creer, made our way to Aylesbury.



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Leatherslade Farm where the robbers stayed.

Ideal as a Hideout

The farm was ideal as a hideout. Set in a hollow on rising ground, it could not be seen from the few roads nearby. The ugly farmhouse was a functional two-storey building consisting of five rooms of varying sizes, a kitchen, a bathroom and a cellar. Outside, opposite the farmhouse, was a large covered, but open-fronted, barn-like structure. Inside was an Austin lorry that had been crudely painted yellow. It was covered with a large tarpaulin. To the side of the lorry, in an enclosed area under the same roof, was a generator. To the right of this were the remnants of a bonfire. Half-burned tin cans that had contained soup and beer lay on top. In a shed behind the farmhouse was a khaki-coloured Land-Rover. It had been driven so far in that it had pushed the back of the shed out. Just down the drive was another shed, housing a green Land-Rover. For some reason best known to the robbers, both Land-Rovers carried the same index number: BMG757A.

Having completed our preliminary inspection, we thought it logical to start our examination in the farmhouse, but rain was forecast, so we would have to examine the outbuildings and vehicles first. When we removed the tarpaulin from the lorry, we found a secret compartment had been built between the chassis members. There were several prints, both finger and palm, on all three vehicles, including a palmprint on the outside of the nearside door of the green Land-Rover and a palmprint on the tailboard of the yellow lorry, which, incidentally, had a pick-axle handle stowed away behind the passenger seat.



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The larder in the farmhouse with the shelves stacked with more food than was needed for a short stay.

As we were examining the vehicles, laboratory officers removed all the mailbags and wrappers from the cellar. Included in this material were various newspapers whose front pages were devoted to graphic descriptions of the robbery. Board games, including Monopoly, were also found.

The external examination completed, we turned to the farmhouse. Considering a large number of men had been using the kitchen, it was strangely tidy. It appeared from the packed larder that the occupants had intended to stay longer than they did. As one senior officer put it, the shelves were stacked like a supermarket.

It was claimed later that someone let the robbers down by not destroying the evidence at the Farm after they departed, but there was strong evidence that the occupants themselves had tried to wash away traces of fingerprints using two large sponges we found in the kitchen. In fairness to them they were at a disadvantage: they could not see their prints; we could.

The first arrests came while we were still at the farm. A policeman's widow living in Bournemouth became suspicious when a man came to rent her garage, insisted on paying three months' rent in advance, and pulled a thick roll of banknotes from his pocket. After he had left she phoned the police. By the time the police arrived the man had returned with a friend and driven his vehicle into the garage. The pair were questioned, failed to give satisfactory answers, and were detained.

At the police station they were searched. On one man, William Boal, officers found 118 pounds and a recent receipt for a cash payment for a car. On the other, Roger Cordrey, they found 160 pounds. In the car they found two bags filled with banknotes. They then went to a flat where

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Cordrey had been staying and to a garage where he kept his car. Both were searched and more money was found. From the three locations a total of 141,000 pounds was recovered. Both men were later transferred to Aylesbury police station and charged.

We completed our examination of the farm on Saturday, August 17, and returned to the Yard to start sorting the mass of finger and palmprints we had accumulated. During the sorting we noticed that some of the prints were repeated on different articles. A fingerprint on a blue-edged plate, found in a cupboard, had been made by the same finger that had left a fingerprint on the cellophane wrapper of a travel kit that had been on a shelf in the pantry. From their positions we deduced they had been made by a right middle finger. A search was made in the single fingerprint collection. The owner of the print was identified as Roy John James, a 28-year-old silversmith. A second pairing of marks — one on a part of a Monopoly box lid, the other on a Heinz tomato ketchup bottle — led to the identification of a 34-year-old carpenter named Ronald Biggs.

We set up two teams. The first dealt with the chemical treatment of all the torn wrappers and packages recovered from the cellar. This eventually added many hundreds of finger and palmprints to those we already had. The second team checked finger and palmprints both for the persons suspected and those with legitimate access to whatever the prints were on. For instance, the finger and palmprints of more than 200 railway staff who had access to either the diesel unit or the railwayman's cap found at Bridego Bridge were checked, as were the prints of more than 200 postal workers who had access to the packet coach or had received postal packets at various post offices. More than 200 staff from various banks in the north of the country, Wales and even the Isle of Man had their prints taken for checking with the prints developed on the torn wrappers and packages. All told, more than 800 sets of elimination finger and palmprints were taken and checked.



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Jack Mills, the driver of the mail train, never fully recovered from the battering that the robbers gave him.

Prints led to Names

It was extremely unlikely that there were more than 200 criminals capable of such a robbery operating in the British Isles outside Her Majesty's prisons. Detectives soon began to suggest various members of this criminal hardcore as possibilities. By the middle of September, five of the wanted men were in custody.

One by one the people who had been at Leatherslade Farm were identified. Charles Wilson, a 31-year-old bookmaker and greengrocer, was picked up. His right palmprint was on the window sill in the kitchen and his right thumb print on both a drum of salt and the travel kit, which also bore the print of Roy John James. Marks on a torn envelope stamped Barclays Bank Ltd, Pwllheli, and dated August 6, 1963, which had been found in one of the mailbags, were identified as being made by the right middle and right ring fingers of Ronald Edwards, a 32-year-old club owner. The palm mark on the nearside door of the green Land-Rover had also been made by his left palm. James Hussey, a 31-year-old painter and decorator, was identified by his right palmprint on the tailboard of the Austin lorry.

A palmprint on the handrail of the bath was identified as being made by the left palm of Thomas Wisbey, a 34-year-old bookmaker. Palm marks on a pipkin of Friary Draught Bitter, found in a cupboard next to the back door, were identified for the left and right palms of 35-year-old Robert Welch. A palm mark on a copy of the *Oxford Mail* dated August 9, which had been in one of the mailbags, was identified as being made by the left palm of James White, a 44-year-old cafe proprietor. Prints developed on two Monopoly tokens and on the ketchup bottle were made by various fingers of Bruce Reynolds, a 32-year-old antique dealer.

While our print-matching continued, we received constant demands for examination of vehicles and premises believed to have been used by the robbers. Co-operative county forces also submitted photographs of marks found in circumstances that could possibly assist the investigation.

On August 15 at Dorking, Surrey, more than 100,000 pounds was found in four cases abandoned in a wood. A few days later, a caravan at Box Hill was examined and more than 30,000 pounds was found hidden behind the panelling. Fingerprints found in the caravan were identified as those of James White.

In early December, police officers called at 71 Handcroft Road, Croydon, where they had seen a ladder leaning against the wall by a bedroom window. The young woman who answered the door seemed reluctant to allow them inside to ensure that everything was all right. When they did finally enter, they were confronted by a man, and the young woman explained in an embarrassed manner that her husband was away. The policemen left, but rapidly returned when they realised who the man was. They were too late. Bruce and Fanny Reynolds had gone. A fingerprint examination revealed, among other things, that the premises had been visited by Roy John James.

A few days later, James was arrested with a holdall containing 12,000 pounds. Once again, a full fingerprint examination was needed to identify his association.

While we were busy naming those involved in the robbery, other officers were finding out the manner of their involvement. The history of the farm and the vehicles was well and truly investigated.

The Austin lorry had been bought at an auction in July for 300 pounds. The buyer, who paid in cash, gave a false name and address. One Land-Rover had been bought legitimately; the other had been stolen in London 18 days before the robbery and fitted with false plates.

It was pure chance that Leatherslade Farm had become available to the robbers. Earlier in the year the owner, Mr Rixon, instructed three estate agents to sell it. On June 27, Leonard Field, who professed an interest in buying the farm, and Brian Field (no relation), who was a managing clerk to a solicitor named John Wheater, looked round the place. Rixon was pleased when a little later a purchase price of 5,500 pounds was agreed and a cheque for the deposit of 550 pounds was sent from Wheater to his agent. Rixon was later informed by his solicitor that the balance would be made available on August 13. However, the purchaser was keen to take possession some two weeks earlier, on July 29, if some suitable settlement could be arrived at. This eventually took the form of an agreement by the purchaser to pay 7 per cent interest on the balance until completion of the purchase. Satisfied with this, Rixon vacated the farm on the date agreed. Although they were to claim that their actions were quite innocent, the two Fields and Wheater were later found guilty of conspiring to obstruct the course of justice.

When photographs of some of the wanted men appeared in the press, members of the public phoned police in all parts of the country to say they had seen this or that man in a boarding house, a pub, or a car. Police responding to these calls ordered, where necessary, a fingerprint examination of the premises or vehicles and sent the prints to the Yard for checking.

After nearly 2,000,000 finger and palmprint comparisons had been carried out, the first of a number of trials that were to take place over the next five years began at Aylesbury on January 20, 1964. It lasted three months. The 19 defendants included all but three of the men identified at Leatherslade Farm. The missing men were White, Edwards and Reynolds. One hundred and fifty witnesses were called and more than 600 exhibits produced.

Of the ten men finally convicted for the robbery, as distinct from those found guilty of conspiracy to rob, only one did not leave

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his finger or palmprints behind at Leatherslade Farm. Not one of the accused denied the identity of his fingerprints.

The Defence Stories

Biggs claimed he went to the farm with a friend before the robbery, ostensibly to join a team in a criminal venture. At that stage they did not know the nature of the crime. They made a meal, and this, according to Biggs, explained how his fingerprints came to be on the ketchup bottle and a Pyrex plate. They stayed the night at the farm and it was not until the next day's "meet" that they discovered the intended crime involved the stopping of a Royal Mail train. They decided not to take part in it and returned to London.

Buster Edwards claimed he was paid 10,000 pounds to clean up the farm after the robbery. He went there and collected his money but didn't clean up. This, he said, would account for his fingerprints being on the bank envelope and his palmprint being on the outside of the nearest door of the green Land-Rover. Unfortunately for Edwards, evidence was given that the near-side of the Land-Rover was so close to the shed wall that he could not possibly have put his palmprint on the door while it was in this position. So the print must have been placed there earlier.

The most complicated defence was a combined effort offered by Welch, Wisbey and Hussey. They claimed that Ronnie, a friend of Hussey, had been commissioned to drive a lorry containing food to a destination in the country and leave it there. He, Ronnie, had invited Hussey to go with him to give him a lift back to London afterwards. While they were discussing this, Wisbey and Welch appeared on the scene. Hussey told Ronnie that his mother was ill and he would have to remain at home to look after her. He did suggest, however, that if Wisbey and Welch had nothing better to do they might like to accompany Ronnie and drive him back. This they agreed to do.

Before they left, Hussey said he would like an apple. He lifted the tarpaulin at the back of the lorry and reached in for one. In doing so he held on to the railboard. Ronnie and his two companions drove to a farm and while they were there Wisbey went to the bathroom to wash his hands, where he stumbled and grabbed the handrail of the bath to maintain his balance. Meanwhile, Welch happened to examine a pipkin of ale because he was very interested in the new cans.

The defence for a tenth man identified at the farm by his fingerprint on Monopoly tokens recovered from one of the mailbags successfully claimed that he had only played Monopoly with friends in London and was quite unable to account for the presence of these tokens at the farm. On the direction of the judge, the jury formally found the tenth man not guilty.

The story didn't end there. On February 14, 1969, a public auction was held at Measham in Staffordshire of the equipment discarded by the robbers, most of it from Leatherslade Farm. A frying pan went for 30 pounds and an aluminium teapot for 60 pounds. The Austin lorry, which had been bought just before the robbery for 300 pounds, fetched 1,150 pounds. A man who bought one item for 45 pounds is reported to have said: "My wife will be proud that I have bought this. We shall be able to boast about it all our lives and then pass it on to our grand-children."

One can imagine how the relatives of Jack Mills, the train driver, would feel on reading that. Mills, who never fully recovered from the battering the robbers gave him, died in February 1970 from leukaemia. Quite a lot of people did very nicely out of the Great Train Robbery. Jack Mills wasn't one of them. ■

Gerald Lambourne is now a consultant fingerprint expert. His book, The Fingerprint Story, *on which this article is based, is to be published by Harrap on September 27, price 8.95 pounds sterling.*

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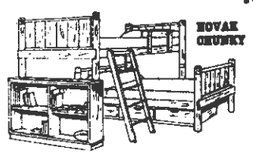

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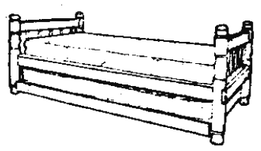

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Give a Little Whistle

By Insp Jay Field, West Mercia

MY FIRST DAY at division, from training school, in 1963 was cold, wet and misty. I stood in the parade room shaking with a mixture of cold and fear. The sergeant bawled the day's duty at me and handed me over to the senior policewoman.

"I'm glad you're here," she said. "We've got an obs. job on tonight for a flasher. You can be the decoy." I felt for the nearest chair before my knees gave way. "That's nice," I said feebly, trying to look confident and pleased. They'd told me about these things at training school. But what happened if he flashed at me? At that moment I felt I'd joined the wrong job.

The rest of the afternoon went in a haze while I worried and shook about the task ahead.

The exposures had happened on a dimly-lit stretch of a footbridge over a railway line. A dog handler, and the policewoman were to wait at opposite ends of the bridge while little me armed with only a whistle — which I was to blow if the flasher flashed at me — walked along the path. I must have lost pounds in weight worrying about it.

The steps to the bridge loomed up in front of me and I wondered if my knees would stand the strain of taking me up them.

Taking a deep breath, I climbed the steps and slowly started to walk along the wooden slats of the bridge. It was damp and misty and my footsteps made hollow echoing sounds. I could hear my own frantic heartbeat in my ears. I tried to breathe easily. "He can't hurt me," I told myself. "I'm a police officer now." But if anyone had spoken to me then I'd have probably jumped over. A few people off the last train passed me on their way home. I was alone.

I walked to the end of the bridge. He hadn't appeared. I tottered down the steps at the other side, breathing sighs of relief, and sat at the bottom, near to tears.

"Get back up there," came the harsh whisper. "You must do it three or four more times." I couldn't believe it. I'd sooner have faced a sabre-toothed tiger.

Wondering how to spell "Resignation", I pulled myself up, brushed myself down and started to climb the steps again.

The second was OK. The third time was OK. On the fourth crossing I was beginning to feel confident that he wasn't appearing that night . . . Some hope.

As I came in view of the one solitary light on the bridge I saw a figure through the thin mist, standing under the light. I had to keep a tight control over my bladder. I knew instinctively that this was him. (He had climbed up the side of the wrought-iron bridge.)

I drew nearer, tried to look calm, my hot sweaty hand grasping the whistle in my pocket. I was suddenly aware that my eyes had grown huge and I made an effort to control my staring. I reached the point where he was standing. He smiled, I saw his open coat and — there it was, in all its glory, bathed in the soft light of the lamp.

I snatched the whistle from my pocket and brought it down with such a force that it wound itself tightly around the "thing" by the chain. Fearing I was going to lose my whistle, I gave the chain a hearty tug. This caused the offender to utter such a scream of agony that the police dog came bounding up the steps four at a time dragging his handler behind him. The flasher was incapable of doing anything except holding his groin and moaning softly.

I never blew that whistle again. It was strongly disinfected and left in a drawer.

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Flogging a Dead Horse

"I've just found a dead horse," said a woman's voice on the other end of the phone. "Is this some kind of a joke?" I answered, trying desperately to identify the voice. "I've just found a dead horse," repeated the voice.

My husband, at this time, had served four years in the force and we had just moved from a busy town beat to a dream-come-true rural beat, exchanging an ageing ex-council house for a spanking new police house with a breathtaking view over the Sussex countryside. This was my first awkward phone call.

How on earth should I answer? I racked my brains for some suitable words of wisdom, while straddling on my hip a 10-month-old baby hell-bent on pebble-dashing the walls with half-digested Weetabix.

In a flash of inspiration I asked the caller to contact our main station. She gratefully rang off. I heaved a sigh of relief and set about removing the slowly-solidifying cereal from walls and child.

Receptionist

Was this a taste of my life to come? Would I be forever at the beck-and-call of the entire village? Nobody had told me I was to be an unpaid receptionist (*and* agony aunt, as it turned out).

I went upstairs to run a bath. (Mums of nocturnal babies have to seize every opportunity for a leisurely soak.) I was just sinking into the water when I heard the phone again. I dragged myself downstairs, dripping water all over the new carpets, and carrying a very irate and tearful baby, who had just settled down for a snooze and was not pleased by this rude intrusion.

"It's me again," said the voice cheerfully. "It's about that dead horse. I rang your main station, like you said. They suggested I contact my local police officer — your husband." Full circle. Now what?

"Perhaps you should contact the RSPCA," I suggested hopefully.

"I've done that," was the triumphant reply.

Stalemate. And I was too proud to admit defeat. I so wanted to get off to a good start.

"I'll ring you back," I said, stalling for time. Trying to balance pen, paper and baby, I took her name and number. "You're quite sure it's dead?" I asked finally.

"Quite sure. I've been a country-dweller all my life and I know a dead horse when I see one," she said indignantly.

I put down the phone and pondered all possible courses of action. Having searched fruitlessly through the yellow pages for a knacker's yard. I decided I'd have to call my husband home to sort things out. I rang through to the operations room at the county HQ.

Squawking

Someone on the other end said: "Sorry luv, there's a terrible squawking noise. What did you say?"

Holding the now red-faced baby at arm's length, I tried again.

"OK. What's the message?"

"Someone's reported finding a dead horse," I said "and I don't know what to do about it."

"Search me!" came the helpful response. "I'll call your hubby over the air and get him to return to base."

"Thanks a lot," I said, by this time feeling incredibly foolish.

I'm sure I was the talk of the operations room that day. I never rang there again without blushing at the memory of that first call for help.

I waited tensely for my husband, praying that the phone wouldn't ring again before he got home.

At last the police car appeared around the corner. Thank God, I thought. Just as the car door slammed, the phone went again.

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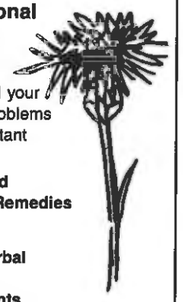

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Aspects of Forensic Science

By Dianne Christenson

A CAR AND A MOTORBIKE collide in a head-on one night. The driver of the car said that the motorbike did not have his lights on. Is there any way to prove if he is telling the truth?

When a headlight is broken while in use, fragments of glass will be sucked in and melt on the hot filament. Such fragments were found on the dip filament of the bike's light when it was studied under a microscope. By chemically analysing these molten globules and other glass from the headlamp, Dr Alva Challis was able to prove that the light was on at the time of impact.

The Geological Survey has its own team of detectives who are sometimes called upon to help out the police. They are Dr Will Watters, Dr Alva Challis and Dr Dallas Mildenhall.

Geologists and palynologists (people who study microscopic parts of plants and pollen) may seem to be an odd choice for forensic scientists, but the part they play can be very important.

Wherever we go we are likely to pick up traces of the local environment. The soil on our shoes, pollen from a tree we brush past, or paint flakes from a building which rub off on a jersey, all provide clues to our activities.

Such small traces are unimportant until we try to prove that a particular person was in a particular place at a certain time.

When a person is charged with an alleged offence, a number of things happen. Their clothing may be vacuumed for any particles they contain, or complete articles such as shoes or ropes which are in their possession may be passed on to the forensic scientist.

The majority of the DSIR's forensic scientists work at chemistry division. Here the tests are mainly biological and involve studying things such as blood and semen. At the geological survey much of the work involves looking at inorganic samples under a microscope.

"It is extraordinary how you have to keep your eyes open when you are looking at the exhibits," said Dr Challis. "Paint flakes and material fibres can stick to mineral grains and these can be very important clues."

"The cases studied can be extremely varied," said Dr Watters, head of the survey's rock and mineral section. In a case involving a stolen safe encased in three inches of concrete the sand in the cuffs of the suspect's trousers was brought in for Dr Watters to study. The safe had been taken away to be broken up at a remote spot. The give-away clue in this case was pumice mixed in with the sand. "Pumice is not found on Wellington beaches, only on the West Coast beaches to the north of Wellington," he said. The safe was eventually found at McKays Crossing, near Paekakariki.

"Many of the samples brought to us are commonly found over large areas but occasionally you can narrow these areas to one particular spot," said Dr Watters. "The more factors you can involve, the better your chances of a positive result which could lead to a conviction," he said. In general though, this evidence is only circumstantial and is used to back up other evidence.

There are, however, exceptions to this, including a rape case which took place in an area which had a distinctive mineral present in the soil. This mineral was not found anywhere else in the region. When this mineral was found in the soil attached to the suspect's shoes it was obvious that they had been in the area where the rape had occurred. This was in direct contradiction to the suspect's story.

In 1980 Mr Mildenhall became involved in a case brought against a man who had stolen deer antlers (velvet) and wool bales. He was given 12 samples to study the spores and pollen from. Of these samples, six were taken from deer pens (scene of the crime), one from a wool bale stored nearby on the farm, three from one of the stolen wool bales, and three from material stuck to the base of the antlers.

All samples gave similar results showing them to come from a grassland source — a statement that did not agree with the area the suspect maintained he had obtained the antlers from.

The subsequent conviction was the first time that palynological evidence had been used to convict a man in a New Zealand court case.

Nine times out of ten the only evidence that can be brought against a person is that they were in a certain place at a certain time. In the tenth case, however, there is a good chance that the scientific evidence provided by D.S.I.R. experts will be strong enough to convict that person if they have committed a crime. ■



Dr Alva Challis examines chemical data on the Victoria University of Wellington/D.S.I.R. electron microprobe. Machines such as this may be widely used in forensic science.

Extraordinary Canine Greeting

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hospitality afforded me by the members of the Auckland region and members of the police force. The friendship of Breck Stewart, Chairman of Auckland region, Greg McManus, Brian Walkinshaw, National President, Derek and Valerie Cantello and Robin and Jill Chester and a number of others, made my all but too short stay in Auckland a most memorable one.

Well! What more can I say about my host, Carole Reidy. A most wonderful person. I spent a pleasant week with her, her husband and son Frederick. I will not mention the nights when I was awakened by thundering crashes against the doors and on investigating finding little Frederick wedged between rocking horse and door. He had attempted to make his escape but failed again. I could write a book on the antics, trials and tribulations at the Cromptonwood estate but that would be another story and before I do, I want to say that Carole and her family — both human and canine — made me very welcome and nothing seemed too much for them in spite of their hectic way of living. I thank them both sincerely for the way they looked after me and the friendliness of their ways.

By the way, the Saluki breed of canine apparently needs the love and affection of a human and this can only be afforded them with a spell in the home environment of the human, hence the reason for the "Extraordinary Canine Greeting". ■

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PC Gordon Howes, Cleveland, spent boxing day 1983 travelling to Kathmandu by bus. Here he describes his visit to the kingdom of Nepal

NEPAL is one of the few places left in the world where a traveller can discover peace and tranquility. It is also the country of mount Everest, the world's highest mountain and numerous other great summits of the Himalayas, the legendary Gurkha warrior, Lord Buddha and the yeti (the Nepalese equivalent of our Loch Ness monster).

Nepal is bordered in the north by the Tibet region of China (they share the Himalayas which stretch for 1500 miles from the Hindu Kush in Afghanistan to China, across the roof of the world); on the eastern boundary by Sikkim and West Bengal (India); and on the south and west by the Indian states of Birhar and Uttar Pradesh.

There is something for everyone who is prepared to travel to the kingdom of Nepal — tourists, trekkers, wildlife enthusiasts, botanists, artists or people in search of a personal Shangri-la.

The capital of Nepal, Kathmandu, is one of the most interesting and mysterious cities of the world. To cross a street in Kathmandu with its shrines, temples and sculptures is to travel across centuries.

I visited Nepal in 1983, arriving at the border town of Birginj at 8pm on Christmas night.

Rauxaul, the Indian border town linking the two countries, was a hive of activity, as all border towns seems to be, with many brown faces and white teeth staring at my tired and relieved European face.

Travelling light

I had travelled north by public bus from Patna, the capital of the Indian state of Birhar, that Christmas day afternoon. My intention was to spend 14 days in Nepal, trekking along the Himalayas and taking photographs.

I had managed to get 11 weeks' leave from my job as a detective constable in the Cleveland Constabulary drugs squad, and Nepal was one of the countries I planned to visit en route to Australia.

I had been inoculated for smallpox, cholera, typhoid and hepatitis, all vital for travellers to the Asian continent. I was travelling light: my holdall containing clothes, books and documents, weighed 17lb.

I had spent 10 days in India before arriving in Nepal and had got used to the Asian lifestyle. After spending the night in Birginj I boarded the public bus at 7am on boxing day and expected to reach Kathmandu by about 3 pm.

On boarding the bus at Birginj I managed to sit next to a Frenchman also travelling to Kathmandu, who was on two weeks' holiday from Bombay where he worked. He spoke reasonable English and I enjoyed talking to him. But the journey was uncomfortable, noisy, hot and smelly.

One of the biggest problems on the buses is overcrowding, with lack of leg space a common feature. Most nepalese people are short and with my height, 5ft 11in, I was really cramped. The bus network in Nepal is operated entirely by independent operators, who appear to have no formal training — we would call the cowboys.

The road to Kathmandu was bumpy and the driver sounded his horn at anything in the way. I got the impression he would have been better off sounding the horn continuously and releasing it when there was no obstruction. He was certainly hitting a lot of pot holes.

About half the Nepalese people are of Mongolian (Tibetan) descent and the other half of Indian descent. The famous Gurkhas, who played such an important role in the British army, were originally Hindu, then Mongolian.

The Sherpa tribe living in the eastern Everest region have achieved fame through mountaineering. The most famous Sherpa was Tenzing who with the New Zealand mountaineer, Sir Edmund Hilary, achieved immortality by making the first ascent of mount Everest, in 1953.

We pulled into a large coach park in the centre of the city and were immediately besieged by Nepalese plying for hire on their bicycle rickshaws.

On the coach ride to Kathmandu we had studied a guidebook and decided that the Thamel area of Kathmandu was probably the best place for budget travellers, so we stayed at the Kathmandu guest house, a large rambling house with many rooms of varying standards and prices, set in its own grounds in Thami.

I paid 28 Nepalese rupees for a safe and dry room. The furniture consisted of a chair, desk, bed, blanket and a transparent carpet. Also in the room was a flask of cold water, apparently safe to drink, although I never took the risk.

I walked around Kathmandu; it was about a quarter of an hour's walk to Durbar Square, the market area. I made my way through streets and alleys, crammed with people, and was speechless at the variety of local crafts for sale.

Like other Asian cities, Kathmandu is noisy with narrow streets. The wooden buildings, two or three storeys high with every inch of space used, looked as though they might collapse into the street at any time. They were lit by a single electric bulb — or by candles. Outside there were often exquisite wood carvings.

Kabul used to be the central stopover and meeting-place for overland travellers across Asia from Europe and Australia. But because of the political situation in Afganistan, Kathmandu has taken over this role.

Drug transactions

The westener is seen by the locals as fair game for conning or selling bric-a-brac to, or illegal cash and drug transactions.

I was constantly approached, usually by young Nepalese men dressed in western-style clothes, whose lives revolved around trying to change currency on the black market or selling drugs.

'Exhange money — dollars, pounds, marks?'

'No, thank you.'

'Good rates, same money for you?'

'No thanks.'

'Buy hashish, best quality?'

'No.'

'Best price in Kathmandu?'

'No.'

'You wanna sell whisky, cigarettes?'

'No'

In the end the person would lose interest and try some other westener.

Although cannabis was the most common drug available, heroin, cocaine and LSD were offered to me frequently; all the other drugs mentioned must have been imported into Nepal.

In 1973 Nepal made drug abuse a criminal offence, but the maximum sentence is two years' imprisonment. Many westeners enjoy Nepal because they can buy and use drugs with comparative freedom and because of the cheapness and extremely good quality of the cannabis.

As in other Asian countries, if you express an interest in the price of an article or drug, the seller immediately thinks you are interested. Being a drugs squad officer I used to ask the price of drugs and their origin; once my questions were answered the seller thought I was a good customer, only to be disappointed at my refusal to buy.

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During my stay in Kathmandu I hired a bicycle (30p a day) and explored the area at a leisurely pace.

The temples in Kathmandu are mysterious and colourful; religion has a high place in Nepalese culture. I have no particular interest in religious buildings, but could not help but be impressed by the temples standing majestically around me.

I took many photographs of the city and its people. Kathmandu still has a medieval atmosphere, its streets thronged by people of many nationalities, cows, dogs, rickshaws passing by. It was a great delight to sit on the steps of one of the many temples and watch the world go by.

Nawakot, 18 miles east of Kathmandu, at 7,133ft above sea level, is a favourite place for observing sunrise and sunset over the eastern Himalayas, which included 'Sagarmatha' (mount Everest).

I went on a tour to Nawakot and was awestruck by the sun setting like a ball of fire, lighting the peaks and turning them pink, knowing that I was looking across the roof of the world towards China.

Spectacular sunrise

Sunrise from the same viewing point was equally spectacular. Words could not describe my feelings as the gently yellow circle of life came up from the east, giving light to the land of the yak and yeti.

The average annual income in Nepal is 120 pounds and there is no welfare state, so if you do not work or have any income you starve. Like India, Nepal has its beggars and these unfortunate people, stricken with polio and leprosy, remind you of the injustices of life. If you do not harden yourself against the poverty of Asia, you could end up feeling pretty numb at the disfigurations in some people.

Tourism is one of Nepal's assets. In recent years trek guides and handicrafts sold to tourists have given the people some extra income. Many of the Gurkha soldiers in the British army are well-off compared to other Nepalese.

I was determind to trek in the Himalayas and I flew from Kathmandu the 120 miles south-west to a town called Pokhara.

The plane ride, in a Royal Nepal Airlines Avro 28-seater, took only 40 minutes across the Himalayas. When I came back by bus it took six hours.

The plane ride, which cost $35 US dollars, was worth the money for the view of the Himalayas. I'd been told that the best place to sit on the plane was on the right-hand side to get a better view of the mountains. Unfortunately, about 15 Japanese tourists must have been talking to the same person as I had because when we boarded the plane they all made a beeline for the right-hand side and occupied the seats.

Pokhara's skyline is dominated by the Annapurna range, which rises abruptly from 2,160ft to 26,000ft. You get a crick in your neck as you look up.

In Pokhara, drugs are as common as they are in Kathmandu and I was frequently approached by boys as young as 10 years, offering to sell me cannabis. One young man, whose father was a hotel owner, was determined to sell me kilos of cannabis to take back.

He said that he had many friends from all over the world who visited him several times a year; he cited Swedish and German men buying three kilos every trip.

The price of cannabis in Nepal, compared with the street price in Europe, makes it a very profitable business. The buyers' trips to Asia are financed by the sales of the drug in their home countries.

The Nepalese man told me how people conceal drugs and how gifts are specially manufactured for this purpose. While I was in Asia I thought time and time again how the spread of drugs is increasing and the countries of the western world are fighting a losing battle. The people who are making money in great quantities are not the farmers — they never do — but the folks who are perpared to take small risks.

Throughout my travel I did not reveal my true identity to many people. If asked, I would say that I was a council employee in the housing department. That usually stopped people getting too inquisitive.

I had booked a guide to trek with me for six days around the Annapurna range; this cost me 50 rupees (about 2½ pounds) as well as his accommodation and meals.

I hired a rucksack and sleeping bag for the trek; my pack weighed about 10lb — mainly photographic equipment.

My guide, Poon, waas Napalese man of about 25, married with two children, although he looked 10 years older. He was small and muscular with extremely strong legs; he had sharp brown eyes and collar-length black hair. He looked as though he had just walked down from the village up the track when I met him.

Gritted teeth

We exchanged the Nepalese greetings of hands clasped together syaing 'Namesta', which literally means, 'I salute all divine qualities in you'.

I asked Poon where his rucksack was and he shook his head, puzzled by my question. I pointed to my pack and he produced a blue plastic bag and two extra pairs of socks. He picked my bag up and was pleased it was so light.

Before going trekking I had to buy a permit from the local police station at Pokhara; it cost 3 pounds.

We got a ride to a Tibetan refugee camp. En route I met a young man and his girlfriend from Christchurch, New Zealand; we were to spend the next few days together.

Bez and his girlfriend, Penny, has been travelling throughout the world for 10 months and were due back in New Zealand in March 1984. They had cycled around Europe, including Britain, and were good company to be with. It was nice to have English-speaking company who were pleasant and reliable.

The trek for the first day finished at a small village called Nuandanda where Poon and I shared a room for 8 rupees (50p). The meal was prepared where we sat and we ate by candlelight.

Most of my time in Nepal I suffered from diarrhoea, as many visitors do, so my diet consisted mainly of yoghurt, egg dishes, cereals and tea or hot lemon drinks.

The Nepalese do not eat beef which is against their religion. Instead they eat yak, but no female animal is killed for food.

From Nuandanda, on new year's eve, we trekked to a small village called Tikedhunga. It looked only a short distance on my map, although the contour lines gave me an instant backache.

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Nepal is an interesting mixture of nationalities and religions. Above: a hardy local carries his load down the mountain track, and left: A group of monks, refugees from Tibet, sit and talk in a Kathmandu street.

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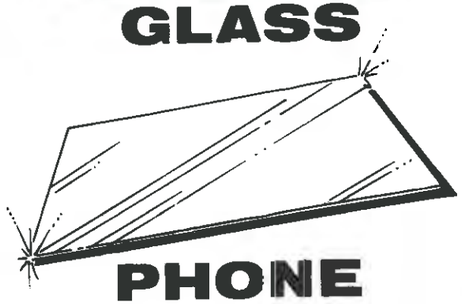

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Ice underfoot

We started at 3,000ft and walked to Kandra village at 5,400ft before going down for lunch at Birethanti at 3,100ft. We reached Tikedhunga, 4,900ft at about 4pm. I was almost exhausted but I gritted my teeth and hobbled around, my legs aching and throbbing like a busker's concertina, going in and out.

Chandra Lodge at Tikedhunga was run by a Gurkha ex-corporal who spoke of the happy times he has spent in England during his army service. It was pleasant to reflect on his merits of England, 5,000 miles away, up on the Himalayas on new year's eve.

To celebrate new year's eve the ex-Gurkha made 'mustang coffee', consisting of coffee and local rum. It tasted foul, but we drank it.

But I went to bed early and celebrated new year's eve day by waking at 6.30am ready for breakfast before starting the trek, which would take us to Ghoerpani at 9,300ft, another hard climb.

We met two Australian girls at Tikedhunga and they walked with us for the day, so we made quite a Commonwealth party for new year's day: English, New Zealand and Australian.

On the trek we came across pack-horses carrying supplies from Jomsom — up the track, near the Tibetan/Nepalese border — to Pokhara and returning with sackfuls of grain, rice and other essential supplies.



You could hear the horses some distance away because they carried a bell round their neck. They were a bit of a nuisance, as they would pass alongside you, knocking you from the path.

Mount Machapuchre (22,942ft) and mount Annapurna (23,683ft) towered over us as we climbed through jasmine-scented woodland to Ghorepani. The trail follows the river, with waterfalls and ice-cold pools around every turning and snow and ice underfoot. The heavily shaded gorge eventually opened up into the village of Ghorepani, which at 9,300ft was the highest village we walked to.

We stayed the night in a lodge with a guest-list that read like the League of Nations. There were sweaty socks and clothing everywhere, and people had to step over one another to reach the open wood fire and the eating area. But it was a pleasant, friendly atmosphere.

Bez, my Kiwi mate, and I were feeling pretty bad with tiredness and sickness, so we decided that the four of us — Bez, Penny, Poon and myself — should return to Pokhara the next day.

It took the same amount of time to reach Pokhara, but it seemed different from the journey of the previous few days, and just as interesting.

All along the route we came across the rhododendron tree, which is native to Nepal: it grows incredibly large and looks as powerful as the oak or elm does in Europe.

Another wood which is crucial to the people of Asia (almost as important as rice) is bamboo. It is used extensively in Asia for construction purposes, in the same way as we use scaffolding.

As we passed through villages, the local women were weaving with the bamboo and making mats, baskets and similar handicrafts.

From Pokhara I travelled back to Kathmandu by bus. The journey was bumpy and cramped and it was a relief when we arrived in the early afternoon.

Yak wool jumpers

I booked into a small guest house for the remaining few days of my stay in Nepal, and during that time I got my visa for Thailand, the next stop on my journey.

I bought a number of local handicrafts — papier-mache masks used by the Nepalese for their numerous festivals, embroidered shirts featuring mount everest, yak wool jumpers and other small gifts.

I was sad to leave Nepal where friendliness is an accepted part of life.

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Alarm, resistance and exhaustion form the three stages of stress. The alarm may be set off by physical sensations such as cold, heat or burns, or by psychological experiences such as failure, pain or pleasure.

Vitamins and Stress

In a stress situation the body releases stress hormones to increase overall performance. The vitamins of the B complex and vitamins A and C participate in the production or turnover of these important hormones.

Besides, vitamins can enter the picture on two other levels: energy production and protection. Thanks to the B vitamins the body can transform an increased amount of proteins, carbohydrates and fats into extra energy.

The protective function of vitamins is under investigation. In acute infection for example, blood levels of vitamin A and C and sometimes of the B vitamins are reduced. Vitamin A may help to protect ulcer-prone individuals. In extremely cold or hot weather large amounts of vitamin C also seem beneficial, and vitamin C may even improve your heat tolerance. Recently, psychologists have claimed an association between psychological stress and the development of cancer. Whether this connection can be proven or not, vitamins certainly play the role of an important conditioning factor.

The fitter you are, the better you feel and the easier it is to adapt: then you have less stress to handle. We can safely apply this reasoning to many other situations and stress-related diseases, in particular to cardiac conditions.

Conclusions

When stress becomes too severe or too frequent our adaptive capacity is exhausted and under given conditions pathological changes may result. Vitamin status is a major conditioning factor in this mechanism and as opposed to genetic disposition for instance, it is one that can be improved.

We all experience stress in some form or another and if it hasn't happened yet, some day we may well reach our limits of adaptation. If we supply our organism with all the essential nutrients now, we will have a better chance to cope.

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